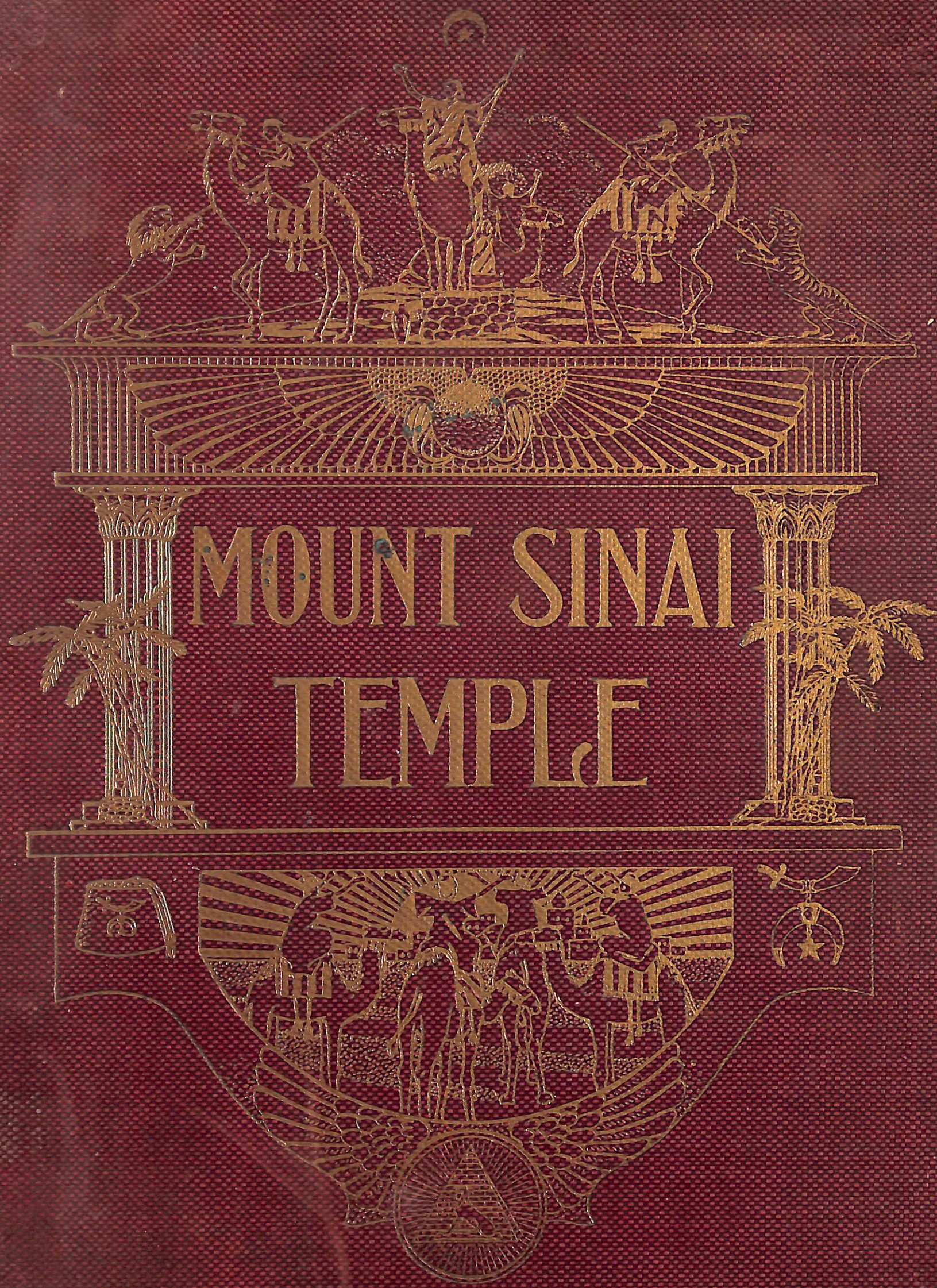

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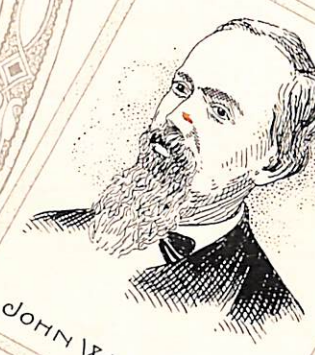

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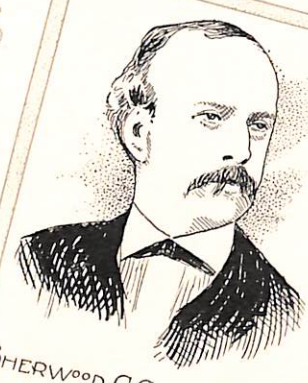

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FOREWORD

BACK through the days of the Middle Ages and into the early Christian period runs the history of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. The shores of the Mediterranean gave this Order birth and fostered it for thirteen hundred years. There it prospers as of old, but now serving largely a different purpose. Originally used for the propagation of the Moslem faith and to aid in the enforcement of the laws, rendering justice where the usual means were too slow or too uncertain, the Order of to-day — the Order as we know it in this country — practices the virtues of Charity and Brotherly Love. No longer Moslem, nor yet Christian, it is builded upon the broader plane that receives all men alike if they believe in a Deity and are of a character such as will pass the strict qualification for membership.

The modern Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine insists upon the highest Masonic qualification, thus insuring that none but men of unquestioned character may cross its portals, but the ancient Order required a firm belief in the teachings of the Prophet Mohammed and obeisance to Allah.

Founded at Mecca, in Arabia, in 644 A. D., the Order spread through Arabia, Syria, into Egypt, Morocco, and other countries bordering on the southern shores of the Mediterranean. It was carried into Italy in 1698, to Bavaria, and thence to Germany and England in 1776, but was not fully established in the United States until 1872.

William J. Florence, the noted American comedian, first received the Order in France, afterwards gaining further instruction in Egypt; and he was responsible for its introduction into this country, aided by Dr. Walter M. Fleming of New York City, who received lawful warrant through English sources, and by Albert L. Rawson, a scholar of Arabic, to whose patient labors in translating the ritual and in gathering together the threads of the several branches of the Order in the Orient, much is due.

Mecca Temple was formed in New York September 26, 1872, and the Imperial Council was formed in New York June 6, 1876, but it was not until ten years after the formation of the Imperial Council that the Order began its real growth. It met with many obstacles and with much prejudice. Many men high in Masonry opposed it, fearing it would be to the detriment of Masonry, to which nothing can be added or taken away. In time, however, they saw that the Order had nothing to do with Masonry except the very high compliment it paid the Ancient and Accepted Order of receiving only its most honored members; but finally they were to admit that the Order of the Mystic Shrine was a monument to Masonry.

In these pages will be found a summary of the development of the Noble Order, briefly hinting at some of the early troubles, and relating the advance of the organization,

step by step, down to the present year, when the Order in North America and Hawaii and Mexico comprises 149,151 Nobles and 121 Temples.

Noble Florence lived to see the Order firmly established, and in his travels throughout the country did a great work in spreading its beauties and creating an interest. Dr. Fleming devoted fourteen years of his life to carrying on the burden of organization, and then retired with well-earned laurels to take a seat in the Directory. He still lives, honored and respected, well content to let the labor of the day fall on younger shoulders. In every Oasis he is revered; and his many years of untiring effort to save the Order, at a time when it seemed impossible for it to overcome the prejudice formed against it, are now regarded by all as a debt that can never be repaid.

The history of Mount Sinai Temple from the date of its formation, October 31, 1876, down to the present time may be said to be almost synonymous with the history of Montpelier for the same period. If one searches the files of the local newspapers and the current history of the city during that time, he will find that the same persons who have been active in the upbuilding of the city and the community have been largely those who have been responsible for the development of the Shrine.

The qualifications for membership in the Shrine, being either a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason or a Knight Templar in good standing, assure an association of men of the highest type and caliber,—men who have been subjected to the rigorous tests of all the degrees of Masonry, principal among which are character, respect for the laws of the country and the city, integrity, right living, and all that goes to make up good citizenship.

Masonry everywhere stands for the best that can be found, and the qualifications are more strict as one advances to the higher degrees. A Noble of the Mystic Shrine, therefore, is an elect of the elect, and those who have become votaries of the Temple may be assumed as a class to represent the highest citizenship of the community in which they reside. Its members are not chosen because of their wealth or standing,—rank and title are unknown in Masonry. Its membership is not sought,—Masons are a voluntary association of men, who, seeing the good work that Masonry has done and is doing, are glad to petition for association with it.

It is from such a qualification, therefore, that the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine are drawn, and in rising to the degree of a Sovereign Prince of the Royal Secret or to the Order of the Temple their lives and actions are subjected to the closest scrutiny of those having responsibility for the high class of the Order; and the selection of members of the Order of the Mystic Shrine comes only from among that select body of men whose private life and whose conduct during their advancement in Masonry have been known to the Nobles to whom they petition for association.

It may be assumed, therefore, that the title "Noble" is one not to be regarded lightly, but to be guarded zealously.

Every Noble is a God-fearing man. Except he believe in God he could not have

become a Freemason, and the Knights Templar require a firm belief in the Christian religion. In the Scottish Rite a belief in God is indispensable.

The Nobles of the Mystic Shrine admit Christian, Jew, and Mohammedan alike, for each of these believes in a Deity; but unless he has met the strict test necessary for Masonic qualification it is useless for him to petition for membership among the Nobility.

So, let it be understood that the members of the local Temple are men of high standing among their fellow men, just and upright before the world, having due respect for the will of God and the constitutional authorities of the country in which they reside, ever sworn to uphold its laws, and to render aid in their support whenever necessary.

From a modest start a third of a century ago, the members of the Nobility of the Mystic Shrine have builded well, rearing a structure which is an ornament to the community and which commands the respect of all classes and creeds. The best blood, the highest type of citizenship, have been slowly but surely welded into one mass, having for its object the upholding of the highest principles of life and living.

Charity is one of the chief attributes of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine,—not the charity that comes at the last moment, though this is ever forthcoming when necessary, but rather that charity of brotherly love and affection which places a hand at the back of the weak and falling, instead of waiting until the weight of grief or sorrow or misfortune has dragged the struggling brother to the ground. It is that unseen charity—of love, of encouragement, of sympathy—that keeps its members buoyant and self-spirited, meeting trouble with fearless heart, surmounting difficulties before they become obstacles.

It is men of such courage, such spirit, who comprise the local Temple,—men who have taught that a trust in God and the mighty doctrine of the Brotherhood of Man are what make citizens of the highest type self-reliant and a credit to the community.

All honor, therefore, to the members of Mount Sinai Temple. Their name and fame have spread far beyond the boundaries of city or state. They are beloved and respected at home, yet they are received warmly in any part of this broad domain, for their good works have caused their fame to travel far and wide.

Look about among the most active persons concerned in the local institutions, in the state and city government, in the walks of trade and business, in the churches and the institutions of learning and enlightenment, and see how closely allied is the membership of Mount Sinai Temple with the leading spirits of Montpelier. This is written in no boastful mood, but because the members are worthy of recognition, and have received recognition, not through influence, but through their own initiative as public-spirited and upright citizens.

Is it any wonder, then, that the Order has prospered? Is it any wonder that the local Temple has become known and respected of all men? Therefore, in dealing with the history and development of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine it is fitting and meet that in this volume credit should be given those men who

have brought the Order to such a high standing in Montpelier; and the following brief history of the local Temple gives credit to those who in the succeeding years have devoted their time and energy to the Order, at the same time keeping pace in the city and state with the most progressive and enlightened citizens.

While their work has been and always will be serious, it is the popular impression — given out by the Shriners themselves — that the work is nothing but joviality. Perhaps this impression may have caused the Order to be regarded as a vast playground, but a smile often cloaks the most serious work. It is said by a wag that "a tombstone always has a good word to say of a man when he is down," — but how useless it is then! It may be that these Nobles, with their blaring trumpets, their camel rides, and their outward foolishness, may be masking deeds of noblest import. As the poet has written, —

"Laugh, and the world laughs with you;
Weep, and you weep alone."

If these Nobles have made life more cheerful, if they have given pleasure to their fellow men, then have they helped them in the preparation for that life to come, in that "house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

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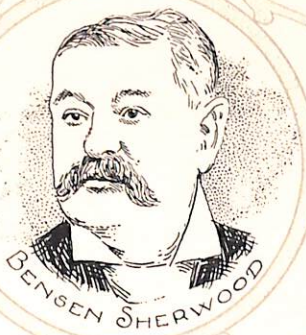

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"There is no god but God"

NO one who has studied closely the history of this noble Order will attempt to declare that its existence has been continuous since its inception in the year 644 of the Christian era, nor will any reasonable man attempt to show a Masonic qualification previous to the nineteenth century. There have been intervals upon which no historian has been able to throw any light, but that the Order has been continued and handed down from generation to generation there is no doubt. The great principles upon which it is founded are as necessary to life and happiness to-day as they were fourteen hundred and fifty-six years ago, when the laws of the land were not so rigorously enforced as now.

The Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in all ages—no less to-day than in the years when savage hordes roamed over the Arabian deserts, swooping down upon the scattered oases on missions of murder and robbery—have had valuable and mighty feats to perform. Strong organization was necessary then to hold these hordes in check; right living is necessary to-day to keep back outlaws of irreligion, of intolerance, of bigotry, and of excess.

The Noble Order stands for much—it stands for all that is good, for all that is honest, for all that is charitable, and for the better living of all God-fearing men, be they Jew, Christian, or Mohammedan.

Founded in Arabia in the seventh century, brought to Italy in the seventeenth, to Bavaria in the eighteenth, to England in 1860, and to the United States in 1870, the Order has had its greatest growth and its broadest development, since there was established for it a Masonic qualification of the highest degree. This high qualification was necessary in order that the great work of the Nobility, the imperishable and unwritten secret which it hands on to its initiates, might never fall into unworthy hands.

Others more able than the writer have delved into the Arabic, Latin, Italian, and French literature dealing with the history of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and from time to time, in various publications, parts of this history have been given. The present writer accepts much of this as authoritative, and borrows frequently from it, well knowing the thorough and earnest researches made by Nobles Florence, Fleming, Paterson, and others whose pilgrimages brought to light so much of the buried history of the noted order.

Many people there are, prominent in the world of business, keen and zealous in the work of Masonry, worshipers perhaps at the Mystic Shrine, who do not know the history of the Order and of its relation—not connection, mark you—to Masonry. This, then, is the object of this work, and if the work is successful in this respect, then have a Masonic obligation and a Noble's duty been performed.

It is a task much easier promised than performed. Like some of the degrees of Masonry which are lost in their antiquity, many of the traditions of the Order of the Mystic Shrine lay buried for centuries in the sand-swept deserts of Arabia.

In character, the Order of the Mystic Shrine may be said to be the broad plane of religion and the enforcement of the laws, whether based upon the Koran, the Books of Moses, or the Scriptures of the Christian Apostles. An essential qualification for membership in this Order is a broad and tolerant mind. That Noble who believes in a Supreme and Unseen Being is never required to give any definition of that belief. If he believes, that is sufficient. By what name he calls his God we question not. By many names has He been known to the people of Israel alone, but by all, in every clime, accepted as the Ruler of our destiny.

The Order of the Mystic Shrine was founded when the Mohammedan Kalif Alee, cousin-german and son-in-law of the Prophet Mohammed himself, conceived the idea of a superior court. This was at Mecca, and in the year of the Hegira 25 (A. D. 644). Strictly Arabian in its composition, this court was to deal out justice to violators of the law where the ordinary process would not reach, to break down corrupt influence, to form respect for and support of the law, to be an inquisition,—a vigilance committee, if you will,—the founders of the Unwritten Law. But mistake not the work of this noble order. Its work has always been for good. Its labors have been as secret as they were silent and swift, but at all times effective. Might no longer

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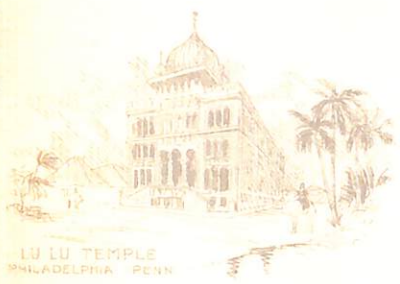
triumphed over right. Malefactors, despots, brigands, corrupt officials—all soon began to feel the influence of the secret court. If a man was accused, he was brought at once before this mysterious court. Upon a valid accusation he was tried within the hour, and justice was swift and terrible. But if a man was unjustly accused, woe be to the accuser, for the men who sat on the court were chosen first for their broadness of mind, their fair dealing, and their toleration. Wealth, influence, rank, or title could not buy them, nor were they known outside their secret rendezvous. Always was their work for good—and may Allah be praised!

The Order grew, and numbered among its votaries men of rank, of culture, of refinement, of dignity. Despotism slowly but surely began to wane, and the wave of enlightenment steadily swept around the world. The decline of feudal despotism, of bloody and senseless strife, throughout all Europe and Asia during the Middle Ages, may be attributed to the work of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, for their work was emulated. Monarchs bowed to their mandates, thrones trembled at their swift and unerring judgment, religious bigots stood aghast, murder and petty crimes decreased.

The superstition of the ages, the gloom of intolerance and unbelief, the veil of religious sham, all were slowly dispelled by the advancing strength and power of the Mystic Order. Followers of Mohammed? Yes, and Allah be praised! For while this Prophet established himself by the sword, he was never harsh or cruel. As an eminent writer has said:



"While we freely concede that it [the Mohammedan religion] was established by the sword, it is equally certain that when the Christian nations of Northern Europe were plunged in the gloom of superstition, the dark corners of civilization were being lighted by the torch of the Mohammedan Moors of Granada. The arts of peace there flourished in all their beauty and grandeur. If the Alexandrian Library was burned by the order of a fanatical Kalif, that offense against culture and learning was largely atoned in the succeeding years. On the contrary, the followers of Mohammed endeavored to establish justice and advance the cause of learning and humanity. This change of heart among the leaders of Islam was due to the influence of the Mystic Shrine. It was this that softened the clash of contending armies and often stayed the descending sword. Civilization advanced with mighty strides, and where the Mystic Shrine was strongest, there the arts of peace advanced most rapidly. This service to the cause of humanity and civilization we can never overestimate, nor cease to be grateful over its results. The writer of the present, as well as the historian of the future, must accord to this organization the full meed of praise. The sight of fraternal acts of kindness on the bloody field of battle was calculated to soften the hardness of the human heart and lift the minds of men up to nobler deeds. In the far countries of the East the torch of fanaticism became dim, while in Christian lands the animosities of religious and social hatred were tempered by a more kindly spirit."

The Order of the Mystic Shrine, though its character is altered by the advance of civilization, is still one of the most highly favored of the many that abound in the Orient. As at the outset, it continues to gather into its membership men of thought, of culture, of toleration, and of justice. Christians became identified with the Order, and likewise Jews. Its field as well as its fame soon spread out from under the Star and Crescent. Allah and the God of Isaac and of Jacob were worshiped from the same altars. The real secret and purpose of the Order reconciled Moslem, Israelite, and Christian,—made them feel that there is a greater, a wider, a purer, a nobler religion beyond the reach of any creed. Greek and Turk, enemies in many wars; Arab and Egyptian, feudal combatants down the centuries; Persian and Syrian—the best blood of many nations—came under its growing and enlightening influence. The character and the vitality of its work remained, but the method of application was changed. No longer does it preach only the tenets of Islam, nor yet does it in any clime insist upon the doctrines of Christ. In every nation it is the same,—growing, expanding, building up all it touches to a higher and better sphere.

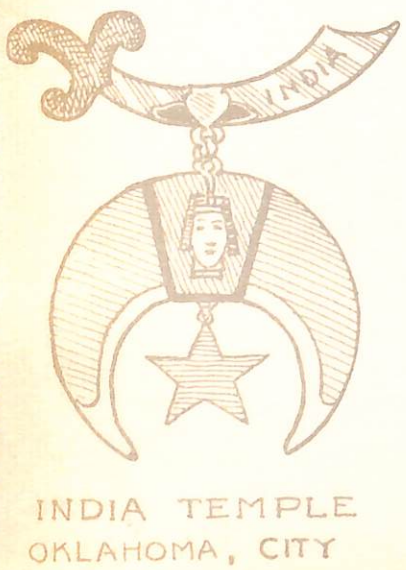
Even the wars of the Crusaders met the softening and soothing influences of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. When the great Saladin had conquered and captured the city of Jerusalem, his first order was that no unnecessary blood be shed; the same orders were given by Richard Cœur de Lion, and these exist to-day in the secret archives of the Order.

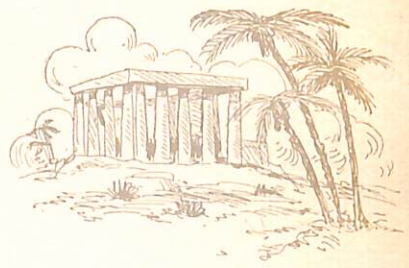
Some persons have attempted to connect the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine with some of the orders of the Dervishes, but the only one at all concerned is that known as the Bektash. It was this fighting sect which protected the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at a time of great peril, and whose members have ever since been counted among its most honored patrons. Bektash was a man in the army of Sultan Amurath I, the first Mohammedan to lead an army into Europe, in the year of the Hegira 761 (A. D. 1360). It was Bektash who established the ceremony of kissing the sleeve. The branches of the Bektash Dervishes are scattered over many parts of the Orient, but all sects are represented at Mecca during the annual meeting at the time of the pilgrimage. The representative of the Bektash at Mecca is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine and is the chief officer of the Alee Temple. In 1877 he was the chief of the Order in Arabia. The chief must, under the law of the Order, reside either at Mecca or Medina, and must be present either in person or by deputy during the month of the pilgrimage at Mecca.

The deputy from the Egyptian Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine is also present at Mecca during the month of pilgrimage, but the Egyptian Order is otherwise distinct. The separation dates from the expedition of the Ibraheem Pasha, son of Mohammed Alee, the Pasha of Egypt at the time of the overthrow of the Wahabees in 1818. These latter are a most fanatical sect, but since they live to themselves they are no longer bothered by the Egyptian government. They denounce other sects, and by so doing are themselves denounced, for it was said by the Prophet Mohammed, "He who casts upon a believer the slur of infidelity is himself an infidel."

"The interior belongs to God alone," is another of the sayings of the Prophet. Therefore all Mohammedans respect and welcome every one who has made the pilgrimage to Mecca and who has repeated the creed, "There is no God but Allah"; for if a man believes in God it matters not what name a sect or tongue has given Him. Therefore it is that the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine are tolerant, broad, and far-reaching, for any man may worship at their shrine who believes in the existence of a Deity.

As has been stated, the history of the Order in Arabia, in Egypt, in Persia, and in Turkey is incomplete. The work was interrupted by numerous revolutions, and for many years it lay





dormant. From time to time, however, it was revived, and doubtless the secrets of the Order were handed down through a few Nobles during those intervals, for we find that when occasion arose, the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine were in evidence to carry out the unwritten law, in co-operation with the Written Law, or Koran. In the year 804 A. D., during a warlike expedition against the Byzantine Emperor Nikephorus, a famous Arabian Kalif named Haroon ar-Rasheed, deputed Abd-el-Kader el-Bagdadee, a renowned scholar, to proceed to Aleppo, in Syria, there to found a college for the propagation of the religion of the Prophet Mohammed. The college prospered, and the Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine became a strong lever as a means of civilization and moral advancement.

Another notable revival, both at Aleppo and Mecca, occurred in the year A. D. 1698 (A. H. 1110), and at Cairo in the year A. D. 1837 (A. H. 1253), when the Khedive of Egypt recognized and encouraged the Order as a powerful means of civilization.

One of the notable patrons of the Order in Arabia was the Iman or Shayk (Sheik), Abu il-Barakat Abd-Ullh Ibn Ahmad Alnasafi, a scholar known by the title of Hafizuddeen, who died in the year of the Hegira 731 (A. D. 1330). This poet is greatly admired by the Arabic writers of the period for his example of manly virtue and his work as a teacher and guardian of the Order of the Mystic Shrine. In Persia also is the poet Hafiz honored, and while his writings have been condemned by some Mohammedans as too suggestive, those who have received the mysteries of the Order of the Mystic Shrine are able intelligently to read and see the true beauties of his verse and thought.

It is also recorded that the Order was revived at Bagdad in the year of the Hegira 555 (A. D. 1160), by Abd-el-Kader Ghilanee, a Persian of note and a doctor of the Sufi sect.

The Order has continued in Arabia and in Egypt down to the present day, and in 1698 was brought to Italy. Lodovico Marracci, the renowned Orientalist, who was engaged upon his great works, "The Koran in Latin" and "The Bible in Arabic," and who lived at Padua, Italy, was initiated into the Order in Arabia and translated the ritual into Italian. Heretofore it had always been in Arabic. The result was the formation of the "Carbonari," and as Noble Benjamin W. Rowell has written on this subject, "The very existence of the Italian unity and liberty depended largely on the Nobles, who were represented by Count Cavour, Mazzini, Garibaldi, and the king, Victor Emanuel."

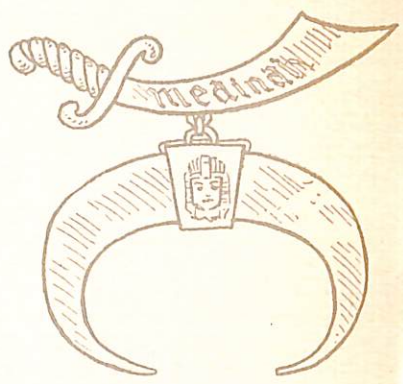
Marracci was the confessor of Pope Innocent XI, yet he was censured by the College of the Propaganda at Rome for having aided and abetted the work of a secret society, and the book he had written was ordered to be burned. However, some copies were saved, and one is still preserved in the library of the synagogue which stands just inside the ancient Roman gate of the city of Babylon, known by the Arabs in the Middle Ages as Fostat, and now called Old Cairo.

In time the Order spread to Bavaria, and it was there, on May 1, 1776, that Herr Adam Weishaupt, a Rosicrucian (Red Cross Mystic) and professor of law in the University of Ingolstadt, revived the Order. He called around him a number of minds brilliant and cultured, and the Order exercised a notable influence before and during the French Revolution. They were known as the Illuminati, and professed to be teachers of philosophy, but they set forth from their Temple of the Mystic Shrine a shaft of influence and of enlightenment, stating again, often in new form, all the teachings of Aristotle, Pythagoras, Plato, Confucius, and others. From Ingolstadt the Order spread to all the countries of Europe, and among the notables who worshiped at its shrine were Frederick the Great, Mirabeau, a Duke of Orleans, Goethe, Spinoza, Kant, Lord Bacon, and others of royal or noble birth, of fame in science or philosophy.

Although Lord Bacon and other noted English men of letters and influence of the eighteenth century were admitted to the mysteries of the Shrine, there is no record of the ritual of the Order having been brought to England previous to 1860, when a copy of the original ritual, written in Arabic, found preserved in the archives of the Order at Aleppo, in Syria, was brought to London by Rizk Allah Hassoon Effendee, author of some notable works in Arabic, including a metrical version of the Book of Job and a history of Islam. This latter so offended the Turkish government, because of its advancement of humanitarian principles, that Hassoon was compelled to flee, bringing with him the ritual of the Order, which he found time to improve in diction and in beauty without altering in any way its essential principles.

The present ritual as used in the United States of America is a careful translation, brought into perfect harmony and rendered as smooth as possible through the works of Alnasafi, Marracci, and Hassoon. Those who have closely studied the ritual of the Order will see how carefully all the old lessons have been preserved and written, and yet how aptly they apply to the civilization of the present day.

Originally requiring a belief in the religion of Mohammed, the writers of various countries have found and agreed that the application was local in the Moslem religion. The idea of the founders and perpetuators was to accept all men who believed in a Deity, whether they called Him by the name Allah, God, Yah, Jehovah, or by a name even too sacred to be pronounced more than once, and then only amidst the peals of mighty thunder, as written in the Jewish testament.



MEDINAH TEMPLE
CHICAGO, ILL.

Credit for the introduction and spread of the Order in the United States is due to the comedian and actor, William J. Florence, who some years since entered the Unseen Temple, and to Dr. Walter M. Fleming, 33°, Sovereign Grand Inspector-General of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Jurisdiction, who received his authority and instructions from Rizk Allah Hassoon Effendee. It was Dr. Fleming who was given competent jurisdiction by Hassoon, and it was Noble Florence who, having received the mysteries of the Order in the Orient, brought them to this country.

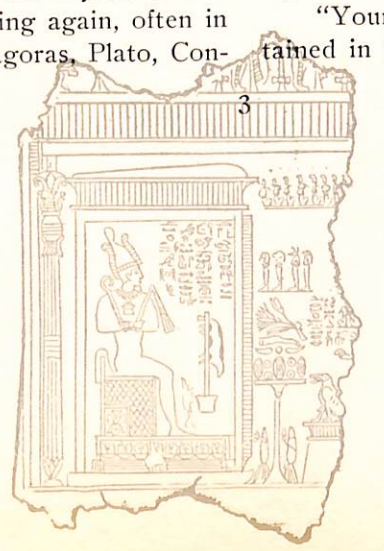
In his annual address at the eighth annual session of the Imperial Council in New York, June 7, 1882, Dr. Walter M. Fleming, the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate, made the following reference:

"The history of the expense and outlay for the establishment and continuance of our Order, since 1871, about eleven years, has been no small task or sacrifice. This has fallen almost entirely upon your presiding officer, and no insignificant amount also upon our Illustrious Noble and Deputy, and, I may say, instigator of the project, William J. Florence. A vote of thanks, therefore, is eminently due Noble Florence for his interest in, tenacity to, and sacrifices for the Mystic Shrine, being first to bring it to available disposal."

EL KALAH TEMPLE
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

The Committee on the Transactions of Grand Officers, in its report on the address, said:

"Your committee, in considering the commendations contained in the address as applied to one whom we might almost



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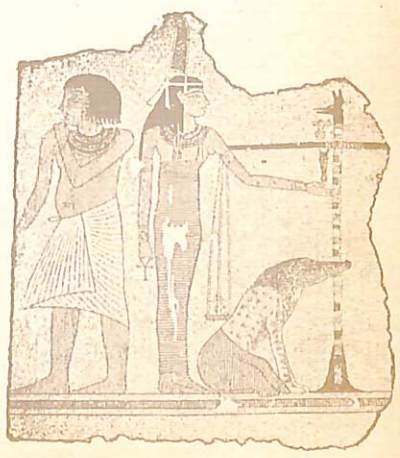
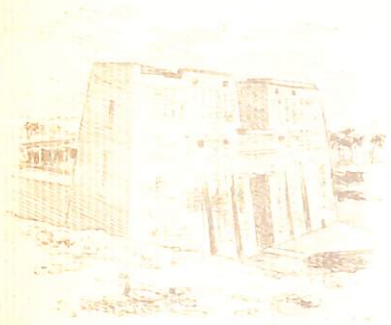




deem the founder of the Order, at least in this country, Noble William J. Florence, join in great sincerity in wishing to pay just homage. Your committee cannot but think, in the matter of the introduction of this Order, Noble Florence 'built much better than he knew,' and, independent of any action on our part, the reward will be in the gratification and satisfaction he must enjoy in witnessing the unprecedented success of this Institution, far beyond his utmost hopes. The committee are satisfied that the future will crown his early efforts, and render greater happiness than were we to weave a chaplet with precious gems and set them on his brow."

Noble William J. Florence's connection with the Order dates from 1870, when he was making an extensive tour of Europe and the Orient. In the year 1882 Noble Florence wrote the following account of how he became interested in and identified with the Order of Nobility:

"In September, 1870, I was in the city of Marseilles, France, and having occasion to call on Duncan, Sherman & Co., bankers, I was told by one of the gentlemanly clerks that there was to be a ceremony of unusually attractive character at a hall near the Grand Hotel de l'Univers, and knowing me to be a Mason, invited me to be present, offering to be my guide and voucher. My curiosity was excited by his glowing hints as to the Oriental wonders to be seen there. . . .

"Having been introduced into the ante-room of the hall in which the Mystic Shrine was concealed, I found a number of distinguished persons in animated conversation on the subject of our visit. One of these men was the British consul at that port, another the Austrian vice-consul, and there were dukes and counts, bankers and merchants, scholars and artists, musicians and other professionals, all of whom seemed absorbed in the question of how the French of Marseilles had succeeded in getting possession of such interesting secrets.

"The Illustrious Grand Potentate of the evening was the celebrated Yusef Churi Bey, and the Temple was called Bokhara Shrine.

"Shayk [Sheik] Yusef had visited Bokhara, where he was made a member of the Mystic Shrine in that famous city of the Persians, and brought away a hastily written sketch of the Ritual and laws of the Order. It would be impossible to give a complete narrative of the ceremonies of that communication of the Nobles of Bokhara Shrine, and I must content myself with a mere outline.

"The costumes were exact duplicates of Oriental patterns brought from Persia by Yusef Bey. In his long service as an attaché of the Persian consulate, he had seen many countries, and profited by studies and observations in each, and was therefore well-fitted to conduct such an institution.

"The furniture of the Temple was the most peculiar I ever saw, and must have been gotten up by some one well-skilled in stage scenery, for there were very well contrived dramatic effects, representing the sandy seashore, the rough, rocky hillside, the gloomy cavern, the solemn tomb, and a transformation scene which was at first a cemetery, full of tombs and monuments inscribed with the names of the departed, with epitaphs on their virtues and worth, when in an instant, the lights having been lowered, the scene changed to a sumptuous banqueting hall, with small tables for groups of three, five, seven, and nine.

"I need not describe the work of the Temple any further than to say that the intention is to enact a drama very much like our own, which had for its object the same lesson; and there can be no better or more zealous workers in a good cause than those French brothers who celebrated the Mysteries at Marseilles on that evening.

"My duties prevented a sufficiently long stay in Marseilles to witness a second performance, and I therefore begged Yusef Bey to allow me to have a copy of the Ritual and laws, which I received on the day I sailed for Algiers.

"In Algiers the Shrine of the Mogribins was in full operation, meeting each week, on Friday evening. Abu Mohammed Baki was the Shayk, and among the members were nearly every one of the many consuls, vice-consuls, and other diplomats of the port, many of the most noted merchants and bankers, and not a few of the learned and gifted Mohammedans, who are passionately fond of perpetuating ancient customs which increase their social pleasures.

"The Shrine is referred to by the Moslems generally as 'The Order of the Unwritten Law,' in distinction from the 'Written Law,' which is the Koran.

"The costumes and furniture of the Shrine in Algiers were gorgeous in silk, wool, and fine linen, decorated with embroidery in gold, silver, and colors; and the sword, spears, and other articles used by the guards and officers in the work were genuine steel, many of which had been in actual service in the field of battle."

It is related that the friendship formed between Noble Florence and Yusef Bey led to his presentation to the Sultan, who was the head of the Order in the East at that time. That potentate, also charmed with Noble Florence's manner and good fellowship, caused him to receive further mysteries at an Egyptian Temple in Cairo. There it was that he secured a copy of the ritual, which he had translated from Arabic into French, and then from the French into English, preserving as far as possible all the Oriental flavor of the original.

Noble Florence at no time claimed the entire credit for the introduction of the work into America, saying that while he was the first to bring a copy of the ritual to this country, Dr. Walter M. Fleming amplified and perfected the work. It was Dr. Fleming who compared and harmonized the various translations of the ritual, as already noted, and obtained competent authority from Hassoon Effendee for the conferring of the Order on the North American continent. Dr. Fleming contributes to the history of the Shrine the following bearing on the subject:

"Mr. Florence was entertained as a Mason at Marseilles, in Bokhara Temple of the Arabic Bektash. He at this time simply witnessed the opening session of the exoteric ceremonials which characterize the politico-religious order of Bektash of Oriental Europe. A monitorial, historic, and explanatory manuscript he also received there. It did not embrace the esoteric, Inner Temple exemplification or obligation, nor the 'Unwritten Law,' which is never imparted to any one except from mouth to ear. Shortly afterwards Mr. Florence was similarly favored in Algiers and Aleppo. Through letters and commendations he finally secured the manuscript monitor, history, and descriptive matter from which sprang the Order in this country. It was in Algiers and Aleppo that he was received into the Inner Temple, under the domain of the Crescent, and first became possessor of the esoteric work, the 'Unwritten Law,' and the Shayk's obligation. Subsequently he visited Cairo, Egypt, and was admitted, and collected more of Oriental history and the manuscript of 'Memorial Cere-

monials.' But Mr. Florence was never fully recognized or possessed of authority until long after his return to America. All he possessed was a disconnected series of sheets in Arabic and French, with some marginal memoranda made by himself from verbal elucidation in Aleppo. Through Professor Albert L. Rawson, these, with others received afterwards through correspondence abroad, comprised the translations from which the Order started here. Mr. Florence and Dr. Walter M. Fleming received authority to introduce the Order into America."

The ritual is known in Arabia as "The Pillar of Society," which is an honorary title given only to persons of very great distinction in the service of truth, justice, and mercy, and the support of learning and culture, and was by courtesy attached to this work as originally written by the Persian poet, the renowned Alnasafi el Hafiz.

The constitutional authority for promulgating the principles and protection of the Order was confided to Dr. Walter M. Fleming, 33°, and his associates,—A. L. Rawson, 32°; William J. Florence, 32°; Edward Eddy, 33°; Daniel Sickels, 33°; Charles T. McClenachan, 33°; John W. Simons, 33°; Albert P. Moriarty, 33°; Aaron L. Northrop, 33°; Sherwood C. Campbell, 32°; James S. Chappell, 32°; Oswald Merle D'Aubigné, 32°; John A. Moore, 32°; George W. Millar, 33°; William S. Paterson, 32°;—all prominent Scottish Rite Masons and Knights Templar, who instituted the first temple of the Order in New York City under the title of "Mecca Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine."

ALGERIA TEMPLE
HELENA MONTANA

DR. FLEMING'S HISTORY OF THE ORDER

In his annual address, delivered at the session of the Imperial Grand Council, February 6, 1877, the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate, Dr. Walter M. Fleming, gave the following history of the introduction of the Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine into the Western Hemisphere:

"It is some five years or more since I came into possession of detached and mutilated sections of the translation of the ritual of the Arabic and Egyptian Order of the Mystic Shrine, brought to America by one of the foreign members and representatives, through the hands of Illustrious Brother Oswald Merle D'Aubigné, 32°. It was exceedingly imperfect and incomplete, and to a great extent badly translated and filled with unintelligible symbolisms. Another portion was brought from Oriental Europe by Illustrious Brother William J. Florence, 32°, and some of the vague history and ritualistic sections were brought from Cairo, Egypt, by Illustrious Brother Sherwood C. Campbell, 32°. Those portions in the possession of Brother Florence were marked, and referred to certain sections of the Koran for notes and allusions, which greatly facilitated the compiling and revising of the Ritual to its present completion.

"This was a task of no small magnitude, and was undertaken and completed through the efforts of Brother Florence and myself, aided by a professional linguist and Arabic scholar.

"The Order was conferred upon several illustrious thirty-seconds and thirty-thirds of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Masonry, and Knights Templar, in the city of New York, on June 16, 1871, as follows, including Brother Florence and myself:

Sherwood C. Campbell	George W. Millar
James S. Chappell	John A. Moore
Oswald Merle D'Aubigné	Albert P. Moriarty
Edward Eddy	William S. Paterson
Charles T. McClenachan	Daniel Sickels

John W. Simons

"On September 26, 1872, these thirteen Nobles organized the first Temple of the Order in the United States, and designated it Mecca Temple, of New York.

"The Order then remained quiet and inactive until within the past year or more, when, on the return of Brother Florence from Europe, where he had witnessed the work exemplified in the most impressive form, he was exceedingly enthusiastic to promote the promulgation of the Order.

"Owing to the death of four of the original members, little or nothing was done with it until 1875. It was decided then, by the proper authorities here, to select a certain number of reliable and prominent Thirty-third Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Masons, when the Supreme Council, A. A. S. Rite, should meet in August, 1876, in the city of New York, to confer the Order upon them, as well as upon some worthy Knights Templar, and invest them with the rights, privileges, and prerogatives of Past Potentates, or past presiding officers of Temples, for the purpose of advancing the interests of the Order, and the establishment of subordinate Temples."

The Illustrious Grand Potentate then enumerates the Illustrious Brethren upon whom the Order was conferred in due form, whose names have already been given at the outset of the history of the Imperial Grand Council. The Illustrious Grand Potentate then reviews the session of the Imperial Grand Council held in New York, and continues:

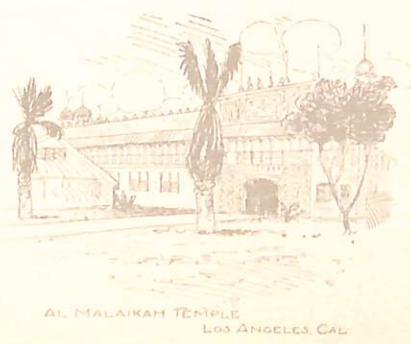
"The original plate engravings for the production of Dispensations, Charters, and Diplomas of the Imperial Grand Council were executed in Paris, France, and the designs were taken from the arches and gateways of the Egyptian Temple of the Sun. The printing and colored transfers were perfected in the city of New York, where also the Statutes and Ritual were printed and the Grand Seal procured.

"Altogether, this work involved both a large expenditure and accruing indebtedness, a portion of which remains still unadjusted; but a few hundred dollars will place the Imperial Grand Council out of debt for the obligations of the past.

"The Diplomas of the Imperial Grand Council were placed at the small sum of two dollars, and each member was required to hold one. We find that the expense of them is nearly equal to the stipulated amount to be received by the Grand Council. Therefore the revenue from that source is not a very encouraging one; but when struck off in larger quantities hereafter, the expense will not be so great.

"The first Temple of the Order, outside of Mecca Temple, New York, was instituted in the city of Rochester, N. Y., on February 8, 1875, under the title of Damascus Temple; and great credit is due Illustrious Brother George F. Loder and his brother officers for its success, and it is now evidently in a thriving condition.

"Since that time, Dispensations have been granted to form the following Temples:



AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE
LOS ANGELES, CAL.

AL KORAN TEMPLE, Cleveland, Ohio.
SYRIAN TEMPLE, Cincinnati, Ohio.
MOUNT SINAI TEMPLE, Montpelier, Vt.
NAJA TEMPLE, Albany, N. Y.
CYPRUS TEMPLE, Albany, N. Y.

"There are negotiations, inquiries, and applications from all quarters in regard to dispensations."

Although Mecca Temple was established in 1872, Damascus Temple, of Rochester, N. Y., performed the first ceremonial working of the degree. However, it was not until 1879 that the active spread of the Order in the United States and on the continent of North America began.

The Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction held its session in Cleveland that year, and Al Koran Temple of Cleveland, led by Illustrious Potentate Samuel Briggs, held a full ceremonial session, at which were present Nobles from Mecca and other temples. The visitors were so deeply impressed with the beauties of the ritual when rendered in dramatic form, with the costuming and other accessories, that many of the hidden beauties were brought forth into full bloom, instilling in the minds of all those who witnessed the ceremonial the desire to have the work equally as well done in their own temples.

Costumes, accessories, etc., were secured, rehearsals began, and in January, 1880, the first ceremonial session of Mecca Temple was held. Almost simultaneously Damascus of Rochester, Mount Sinai of Montpelier, Cyprus of Albany, Oriental of Troy, Syrian of Cincinnati, Pyramid of Bridgeport, Kaaba of Davenport, and Moslem of Detroit, entered upon careers of prosperity, and other temples were rapidly formed in all parts of the country.

ARARAT TEMPLE
KANSAS CITY, MO.

HISTORY OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES AS OFFICIALLY RECORDED BY THE IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

At the session of the Imperial Grand Council in New York, June 7, 1882, Noble Edward M. L. Ehlers, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York, presented the following document, containing a translation into English by him of the transactions in relation to the Mystic Shrine as reported by the Grand Lodge of Berlin,* which was received, and ordered to be printed with the proceedings:

To the Imperial Council, Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, for the United States of America:

The Order of the Mystic Shrine in America was founded in Mecca, and existed as a great power as early as 698. The ritual, translated into Latin by the well-known Lodovico Marracci, originated in Aleppo. The Order has been active in Arabia without interruption since its foundation.

In 1837 it was established in Cairo, and thence rapidly spread throughout Egypt. Its first object was the support of the courts against crimes which the law could not reach. The Order watched over every act, subject to the law, and its daring and active members did not allow one single crime to go unpunished, never betraying whence the punishment came. This method of a silent and punishing justice exercised a great power. Its sure and steady hand carried fear and terror to the hearts of all criminals.

The history of the present time shows that in the southeast of Europe a secret society exists, composed of well-informed Mussulmans of high station. Its main object is the defense of Islam and Mohammedism against the Infidels, as such they call not only Christians and Jews, but also such princes or men in power of the Mohammedan creed who, like the Khedive of Egypt, are suspected of a regard for Christian institutions. The most powerful of the Oriental secret orders is that of Bektashy, or Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. To it are subject the Darkawee, the Khowan, Abd-el-Kader el-Bagdadee, and the Issawiyee, all serving the same purpose.

These are not, as many believe, politico-religious societies, but under such pretext they hide a deep meaning, which only the initiated understand. They form a very powerful association, inquisitory as well as active, and only members understand their methods and actions. There is a relationship with the well-known Illuminaten, a society founded in Germany in the last century.

The constant aim of these orders is the acquisition of power, which they use to benefit the community by subduing its turbulent element without regard to religion or nationality. They acknowledge a true and everlasting God, and on this principle they judge and punish crimes which have escaped justice, as mysteriously as they do it boldly, and without regard to the proper authorities.

Although apparently opposed to other religions, many of the members belong to creeds which are opposed to Islam, many belong to the Mussulman nobility, others are Jews, and again others are of such sects as were opposed to the original purposes of the Order. The Bektashy is little in favor of the old and very strict laws of Islam; this explains the power which it is able to exercise through the orders subject to it. Its headquarters are at Mecca, that of the Khowan at Yemen, and that of the Darkawee at Morocco. These three are the Mohammedan Jesuits. The adherents of Abd-el-Kader el-Bagdadee have their headquarters at Aleppo.

These organizations spread slowly, but with great wisdom. The Turkish war has made them very daring and powerful. The state authorities are powerless to resist the influence of the zealous emissaries of these Orders in the completion of the work in which they are engaged. The officers meanwhile introduce its members into the highest society as well as into high positions, and it is impossible to foretell the consequences, for these societies are just as powerful and dangerous in the Orient of Europe, and awake the attention of the governments.

The recently formed Order of the Bektashy in America, or the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, is devoid of all Islamism, and is in harmony with the Christian ideas and the laws of America. Its power promises to be great, and its future brilliant.

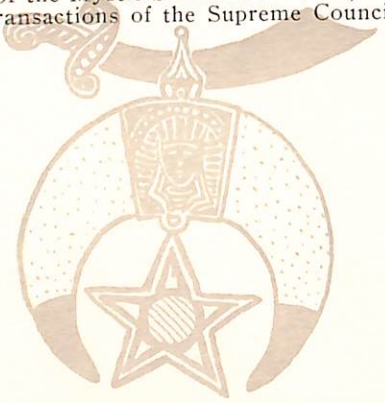
The emblem worn by its members resembles a crescent. The crescent is formed of two tiger claws joined together by a plate of gold, upon one side of which is represented a female Sphinx, upon the other side a pyramid, an urn, a star, and, besides the date of institution, the legend, "Robur et Furor." The present members of the Order take the words "Cross" and "Crescent" to indicate the religions of the European Orient. The Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of late years have been active in several cities of Europe. Although adhering to the old rules, they devote themselves to the social welfare of its members, they practice charity, and teach an enlightened doctrine.

The Order was introduced into America in 1871, with the restriction that only Masons of the highest degrees should be admitted, as only such were deemed efficient enough in virtue and honor. The Order certainly is more secure among Masons than among men who are not bound by any oath, for it is within the province of the former to organize, as originally and at any time, a deliberative and inquisitorial body.

Instituted under the fundamental idea of the creed of Al Koran, or the Arabian Koran, it was at first to strengthen the Mohammedan creed, after that to introduce the teaching of the Koran into real life, and finally to get power and authority by a symbol cabalistic and mysterious.

*Three pages of the Transactions of the Grand Mother Lodge Zu den drie Weltkugeln, Orient of Berlin, for 1879, are devoted to the history of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in America, the same being a translation from the Transactions of the Supreme Council of Belgium, 1877-78.

EL RIAD TEMPLE
SIOUX FALLS S D



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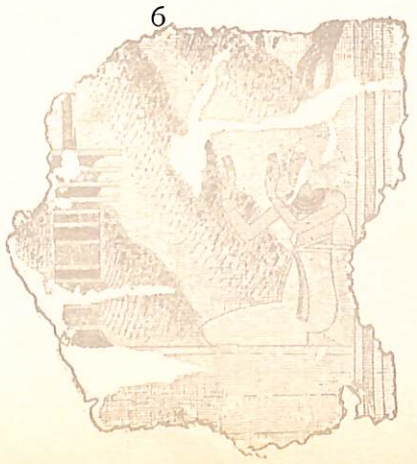


The Order has made rapid progress in America. Its ritual was confided to distinguished Masons of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite and Knights Templar, who, by the constitutional authority conferred upon them, organized the Temple of Mecca in the city of New York. An Imperial Grand Council of the Order for the United States of America was proclaimed June 6, 1876, when it was decided that only Masons of the thirty-second and thirty-third degrees and Knights Templar should be eligible to membership, in order that the purposes of the Shrine might be fully carried out and its interest enhanced. Temples of the Order have been founded in many States of the Union. The Order has a large and dignified representation, admitting only persons of blameless character, and it promises to become as distinguished and powerful as it is united.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE

Noble W. J. Florence's story of his admission into the Order has already been given. In a letter sent to the Imperial Grand Council and read at the session held June 7, 1882, he says:

I have long promised myself the task of writing a brief account of the first glimpses I had of the working of our Order, while on a tour in Europe some years since, and now give a portion thereof.

Noble Florence then relates the circumstances as already given. He, however, continued his correspondence with the Nobles of Oriental Europe, and adds this matter, which is part of the proceedings of the Imperial Grand Council:

In a correspondence with Shayk Baki, I have been advised from time to time of the progress of the Order in Algiers, the last of which reached me a day or two since, and I have the honor and pleasure of laying a copy of it before you, translated from the original Arabic by brother A. L. Rawson, a member of our Mystic Order.

(Translation)

PRAISE BE TO THE ONLY GOD!

To his Excellency, WILLIAM J. FLORENCE, *of the United States of America*, GREETING:

I have received the letter written by you to the Shayk,—the gifted, the learned, the skillful, the Chief of the Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and Shayk of Mogribi Shrine in our city of Algiers, who has commissioned me to write this answer, and direct it to be sent to your Excellency in the city of New York.

Our Shrine has prospered in numbers, and has received among its members, during the three months just passed, many of the most wealthy and famous men of this province, including nearly every officer of the government. Our records now include the names of every shayk and fickee (pastor and schoolmaster) of all the mosques in Algiers, with a goodly number of their best members.

A few Greek merchants, who trade here in Greek articles of manufacture or produce, have joined us, completing our tableau of the various nations of the Orient, every one of which is now represented among us by one or more members. Our assemblies are indeed cosmopolitan, composed as they are of Arab, Bedouin, Moor, Mogribi, Turk, French, Italian, German, English, Austrian, Persian, Russian, Hindu and American; but not as yet any Chinese.

We have as yet not printed or written any word of the Ritual or laws, and we hold strictly to the ancient tradition which names the Order as The Unwritten Law. This is mentioned as the answer to your request to send a copy of our Ritual for your information and assistance in the work in America.

The Shayk Mohammed Baki directs me to convey to you his sincere regards for your generosity in affording him the honor and profit of your visit, and the favor of your many valuable letters, giving accounts of the Order in America.

This is written according to my instructions and to my intentions.

ABD-EL-MAKRI,

Secretary of the Temple Shrine of the Mogribins, Algiers.

17th Dhu'l Kaada, 1299
(Sept. 29, 1882).

In a later note I am informed that the Mogribi Shrine has elected me an Honorary Member, and given me the privilege of wearing a crescent of silver and gold in filigree, set with three emeralds on each side of a ruby, as a pendant on a watch chain, or on a ribbon attached to the left breast.

The mail of to-day brought me news from my friend Churi Bey, of Marseilles, who writes that the Bokhara Shrine has enrolled my name among its notable visitors, and given me the freedom of the Shrine as an Honorary Member.

Regretting my inability to be present at your next Communication, and wishing you every prosperity, I am,

Yours fraternally,
W. J. FLORENCE.

THE MYSTIC SHRINE IN EGYPT

At the same session of the Imperial Council the following documents were transmitted and were received and ordered printed with the proceedings. They were accompanied by a letter from Noble Albert L. Rawson, Grand Representative of the Temples of the Mystic Shrine in the Grand East, and are printed in this section of the history rather than in the history of the Imperial Council, because they furnish further links in the chain binding the American Order to the ancient institutions of the Orient.

CAIRO, EGYPT, February 24, 1882
(4th Ribih ul Akhir, 1299 A. H.)

To WALTER M. FLEMING, 33°, *Illustrious Grand Potentate, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine:*

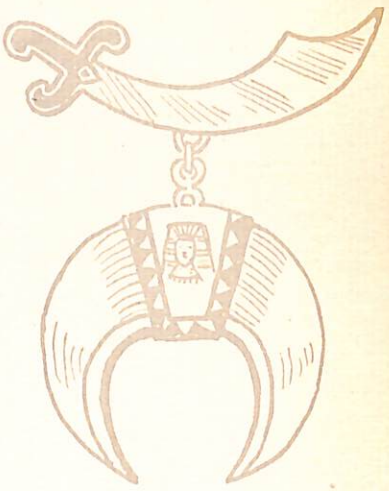
ILLUSTRIOUS AND DEAR BROTHER: At a meeting in our Temple held at this date, at the suggestion made by our visiting Brother, Noble A. L. Rawson, 32°, a resolution was passed giving me power to propose an exchange of correspondence with the Potentates of the Order in foreign countries. Noble Rawson was the honored guest of the Free and Accepted Masons in this city in 1874, and gave us at that time much information on the condition of our Order and other societies in the United States of America, on account of which we now act.

I have the honor, therefore, to propose an exchange of correspondence on matters relating to the Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, in our respective countries. To that end I offer you herein a brief notice of our work during the present year 1881-1882 (A. H. 1298-1299).

The Mystic Temple at Cairo was opened after the usual vacation of three weeks in Ramazan, by a Deputy from the Most Noble Shrine at Mecca, Brother Mohammed Areesh, President of the College at the Holy City, who introduced to us the newly discovered Ritual which is in reality the original and most ancient Ritual of the Order, used by the immediate successors of the second Kalif Omar the Magnificent.

This Ritual I had the honor of witnessing as exemplified in due form, after most elaborate preparations, costumes, and rehearsals, with all the private instruction not lawful to be written, in 1874, and Noble Rawson was present and received all the needful directions for its harmonious presentation. The customary habit of extreme conservatism has prevented our Temple from profiting by its use until the present year. I am informed by letters from your city that you have already adopted the ancient Ritual, and shall be glad to hear your reports on its reception by your Brotherhood, that I may be able to give the Central Shrine at Mecca details of the substantial and, as is reported, unparalleled progress of the Order in America.

It is a pleasure to be able to inform you of the re-establishment of our Order generally throughout the Eastern World, nearly every kingdom or sovereignty being now represented at the General Assembly of Nobles, which meets once in three years at Mecca. In Egypt and neighboring countries, even as far as India, nearly every member of the Government is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. The most able supporters of our Order here are the educated Arabs, members of the learned professions, professors in the colleges, and among them are some who are proficient in ancient history, and who are able to give us well-considered lectures on the Origin and Early History of the Mystic Shrine, and by so



doing have infused great zeal among the Brotherhood, ennobling the Order by valuable information, and honoring themselves.

Our Regalia is a carefully studied reproduction of the costumes worn by the Brothers under the early Kalifs, who found our Order of the utmost service in their career of conquerors and rulers.

The Chemistry of the Temple work is under the charge of our Noble Brother Hassan Ibn Masteeka, Professor of Chemistry and Mineralogy and Lecturer on Astronomy in the College of the Hassaneeyeh.

The banquets during the year have been catered by Ismail Tibneen, *Chef de Cuisine* to His Highness, the Khedive. Among the many revivals of historical dishes of the age of Antony and Cleopatra we have had the precious ortolan from Cyprus, a delicacy that in former times was reserved for the tables of princes.

The number of applicants for admission to our sacred Rites is always greatly in excess of our ability to initiate, for we are limited by an ancient rule to the number of ten candidates at any one session.

At Alexandria the Shrine Temple meets in the ancient palace of the Ptolemies, now partly remodeled for offices and lodge rooms. On the days of high festivals of our Order it has been the custom for some centuries to hold a solemn conclave in one of the great Temples of ancient Egypt, performing our mystic Rites under the stony eyes of the sculptured gods and the painted heroes of the golden age of the Nile kings. Two of these annual gatherings have been held in the famous chambers named after Belzoni, in the great room called the "Hall of Beauty," where on the wall, in colors, life size, is the group of an ancient initiation, which I notice is engraved on the cover of one of your pamphlets, and is also on the circular notice to candidates issued by your Temple. Our last Grand Consistory was assembled in that room, and comprised delegates from Egypt, Arabia, Syria, Abyssinia, Tunis, and Algiers.

Our Deputies and Delegates to the Central Shrine at Mecca must in all cases be professed Mohammedans, and there are always numbers among the annual pilgrims to the Kaabah who are willing and competent to represent us there. The discovery of the Ancient Records of our Order at Aleppo, in the long forgotten library of a monastery, has given a fresh and vigorous impetus to our work. We can now justly claim to have the most ancient connected and consecutive history of any order in the Eastern World.

I have the honor, Illustrious and Noble Sir and Brother, to convey to you the high esteem and consideration of our Brotherhood in Egypt.

JAMES GRANT, M. D.,
Physician to His Highness, the Khedive.

Dated at Cairo, and forwarded by order of the Alee Pasha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

THE MYSTIC SHRINE IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, SYRIA,
Friday, 12th Jamuz ul Awwal, A. H. 1299
(March 31, 1882).

To Illustrious Noble WALTER M. FLEMING, 33°, *Illustrious Grand Potentate, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine:*

ILLUSTRIOUS SIR AND BROTHER: At the last stated meeting of the Temple of Omar, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, it was decreed that the Recorder open a correspondence with neighboring and foreign countries, for the purpose of gaining and giving information on the progress and condition of the Order throughout the world. I therefore salute you in the name of our Shrine of Omar Temple, and beg the favor of a reply.

Omar Temple dates its origin to the year A. D. 660, which was soon after the Saracens drove the Persians out of the Holy City. Among our members are found the heads of the great Christian sects located in this city, the consuls of the various powers represented here, seventeen in all, and a host of educated and refined men, leaders, many gifted ones in science and the arts, and many noted travelers from nearly every country on the face of the globe. No pilgrimage to the Holy City is considered complete until our Shrine has been honored.

The meetings are held by the permission of the Pasha, the Governor of Jerusalem, in the chamber of the Mejlis, the Honorable Council of the city.

The Temple at Jaffa has suffered in the loss of its ancient archives, the city having been destroyed during the Middle Ages, when Athlit and Cæsarea were the ports. The Shrine at Athlit is now used as a granary and storehouse for straw, the ancient inscriptions being still visible on the battered walls and ceiling, which are of fine gray stone, highly finished and decorated by the architect.

The Temple at Damascus has been more fortunate, and its Shrine is venerated third in order, Mecca and Jerusalem being first and second, and Aleppo is counted fourth on the sacred roll. The meetings at Damascus are held monthly, at the new moon, and its records have been kept, with very few intermissions of short duration, for over twelve centuries, dating from Moharram, A. H. 35 (A. D. 657).

The room now used by the Temple is in the Khan of Hussein, a building of black and white marble, with a large courtyard, fountain, fruit and shade trees, arcades and corridors; and the apartments are decorated and furnished in the most ornate style, with designs emblematic of the principles and purposes of the Order. Communication is kept up by the annual caravan with the Holy City of Mecca, and by the monthly caravan with the city of Aleppo. With Beirut and Smyrna we are able to exchange greetings and courtesies almost daily.

The Temple in Beirut is the richest in Syria, its members having been largely drawn from the rich merchants and traders of that port; and also from having initiated a great number of travelers from various countries, many of whom left substantial tokens of their high appreciation of the sublime merits of our Order.

The Druzes in Mount Lebanon have ever been faithful to the tenets of the Shrine, and their chiefs and leaders, educated men, professors of literature and the arts, are numbered among its devotees. The chief Temple Shrine is at Dayr el Kamer, where the Mystic Rites greet the new moon regularly with the rolling seasons, the Druzes never having had a vacation or interruption during seven centuries of mystic work. They meet in the well-known subterranean chambers attached to the Governor's palace, where the secret rites of the Order are safe from profane intrusion.

In our next communication I intend to give some details of our progress in Damascus, with notices of some of the chief notables and high functionaries who have honored our Mystic Shrine.

I have the honor to salute you with the Mystic Word, and convey to you my sentiments of profound esteem.

JAMES H. CLARKE,
Recorder of the Temple Saladin, Es Shawm (Damascus).

SAMUEL EGGLOFFSTEIN,
Recorder of the Temple Omar, El Kuds (Jerusalem).

THE MYSTIC SHRINE IN DAMASCUS

The following letter is from Illustrious Brother, the celebrated Abd-el-Kader, of Damascus:

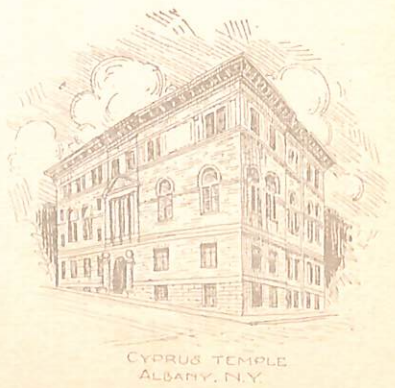
(Translation)

PRAISE BE TO THE ONLY GOD!

To the Illustrious Noble WALTER M. FLEMING, 33°, *Grand Potentate, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of the United States of America,* GREETING:

I have received a copy of the letter of our Representative near your Council, directed to our Secretary of the Temple Saladin (Salah-ed-Deen), and also the printed copy of your laws and the Oriental esoteric ceremonies. The Secretary of the Temple Saladin has also communicated to me the letter which transmitted your greetings. May God reward you! and also the Recorder of your Council, and our Representative, whose generosity procured me the honor and favors mentioned herein.

Temple Saladin has been favored by God during the past year, and has added to its roll of Nobles the names of many of the most worthy and notable men of our city and district *(vilayet)*, the whole number being beyond the mark of three thousand. Among the most valued of the newly received Nobles are those whom the Fates drove out of Egypt recently, and who fortunately escaped before the storm burst over that unhappy land. One of these exiles is the well-known Coptic scholar, Makaukas, a descendant of the Governor of Alexandria, of the same name, who aided the cause of the Kalif when the hated Greeks were driven out of that city on the first Moharram, A. H. 20 (A. D. December 10, 641). The uncle of our respected Brother was a resident of my



native city of Maskara, in Algiers, and served as one of my aids during the campaign against the French (in 1835), at Makta.

When I was permitted by the late Emperor of the French, Napoleon the Third, to reside at Broosa (Asia Minor, Turkey), Makaukas, who had been my aid *(wakeel)*, and Omar Fasroor, assisted me in founding the Temple Solyman at that city. [Founded in 1849.—*Translator.*] That Shrine numbers at the present time a thousand and one Nobles, all of illustrious parentage, well recommended, and many of them eminent for services in aid of their fellow men, who are striving to dispel the clouds of ignorance and fanaticism which hang like a pall over some sections of our land.

The Temple Saladin has a brilliant record of several centuries, which includes the names of many of the rulers of the country, and also of the most noted families, not only in the city Es Shawm (Damascus), but of the mountain districts of Lebanon and Anti-Lebanon, especially among the ancient and exclusive sect of the Druzes. It was my privilege, on the occasion of my visit to the Emeer of Deir el Kamr, to be present at a convocation of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, held in the banquet hall of the ancient palace of the Emeers. The large number of thirty-three *(talatte oo talatteen)* were ennobled *(yamalaho shareef)*.

It is with great abundance of satisfaction that I am able to testify to you of the most timely and efficient aid which our Noble Order has been ever ready to give to the authorities of this city and district, especially in critical emergencies. The history of the past events in Damascus confirms my words, as I write, that our services have been the means, under the favor of God, of saving many lives and much valuable property. The most notable incident was that of 1860, when my faithful Nobles sustained me in preserving more than thirteen thousand imperiled Christians against their fanatical enemies, who threatened them with fire and sword.

My duties in the Shrine of the Temple Saladin, during the last year, have been performed by a deputy *(naib)* in my presence. Advancing years intimate to me that I may at any moment be summoned to join the innumerable caravan of Nobles who have congregated about the Unseen Shrine. May God favor and preserve you many years!

Beginning of Moharram, A. H. 1300.

This is written according to my intentions.

ABD-EL-KADER BEN MAKHI-ED-DEEN.

FURTHER LETTER FROM THE RENOWNED ALGERIAN

The following letter was read at the session of the Imperial Council, June 6, 1883, and ordered published with the proceedings:

(Translation)

ALGIERS, AFRICA,
Nahar el Goumah, Shaaban 13, A. H. 1299
(June 30, 1882).

To Illustrious Shareef, WALTER M. FLEMING, *Sovereign Grand Inspector-General of the Thirty-third Degree, Universal Craft Masonry, and Imperial Potentate of the Bektashee — Mystic Shrine — of the Western Hemisphere, United States of America, City of New York:*

MOST NOBLE SHAYK: By the grace of God, all praises to His name! I have long promised to myself to fulfill the pleasing duty of acknowledging the receipt of both manuscript communications and translated histories of your most earnest work in your domain in the cause of the Order of the Crescent, Bektashee, Abd-el-Kader el-Bagdadee, or Mystic Shrine; I commend me to your Excellency, with expressive assurance of my indorsement and appreciation of your great and good works. Although the true trusts of this Arabic faith and institution can scarcely prevail intact in the New World, and under Republican rule, yet no less interesting and instructive, as a lesson of good government and pure devotion, will it prove, when rendered as a ceremonial, under earnest and able auspices. It is an estimable Order, the interest of which I have espoused with great love for the past many years, as an institution at once grand in the hearts of its disciples, who esteem Justice, Truth, and Mercy, and abhor oppression, fanaticism, and intolerance. With these comments I recognize each and all in the Shrine, together toilers in the same great and good cause.

I am gratified with the pride of a knowledge that the precepts of this cherished Order have already become accepted, and its virtues and its powers recognized, in the Western Hemisphere. May success and continuance prevail with you and yours!

The Temple Algiers is still the same sterling power, as for many years it has continued unchanged in its course of rule, except in its membership, which changes generations, through the cycle of time and the ravages of dissolution. This temple is of the same mature character as the sister class of Mecca, Damascus, Jerusalem, Aleppo, Cairo, Marseilles, Bokhara, Oran, Broussa, and innumerable others in Oriental Europe. Heaven so will it that Mecca of the New World become as firm in establishment and as powerful in its decrees!

I have twice been honored by being presented to your first representative, his Excellency Noble W. J. Florence of New York, of the United States of America, which estimable gentleman I welcomed as a disciple of the Unwritten Law, hailing from Bokhara Shrine, Marseilles. Although a foreigner, he seemed as deep in the warmth of interest in the Shrine as any native Sheik or Shareef, therefore entitled and most welcome to all courtesy in our humble bestowal. Ever name me kindly to him.

Herewith receive and accept the greeting of the scribe. Populate your sanctuaries with the good, the upright, and the just. Honor the worthy, select the men of science and art, dignitaries, men of rank, high officials, and superior class for officials in power, and men of character and worth for the all-powerful mass of memberhood. Carry not the Unwritten Law too far decipherable in your exoteric issues. Verbal and oral confidences supersede, in safety and retention, all manuscriptal or published treasures, however code-bound. Be faithful, zealous, and steadfast in the purpose. And may God (all honor to Him!) preserve you here, and set apart for you a haven in Paradise hereafter. Honor to you in the Order of the Shrine.

ABEN BEN BELOT.

Pronounced according to my intentions, and transmitted under authority of Temple Algiers, Africa.

ABD-EL-KADER BEN MAKHI-ED-DEEN.

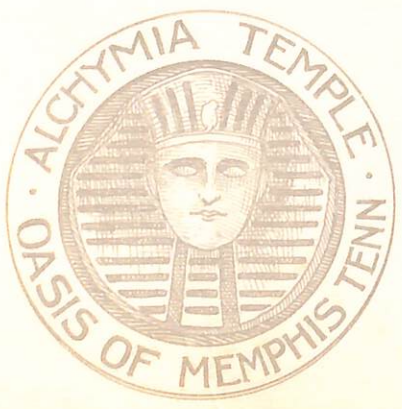
DEATH OF ABD-EL-KADE

The black camel halted before the tent of the noted and aged Algerian and carried him into the Unseen Temple. Mourning for his death was observed both in the Imperial Council and in Mecca Temple. In the Imperial Council June 6, 1883, the rooms were deeply draped in mourning, the Shrine with the symbolic Kiswet was emblazoned with the name of the illustrious deceased on the symbolical funeral urn, and all jewels and insignia were covered with mourning.

The full ceremonies for the death of Illustrious Abd-el-Kader had been given in Mecca Temple May 31, 1883, of which descriptive accounts appeared in the newspapers of the day. The following extracts appeared in the "New York Sun":

MOURNING FOR ABD-EL-KADER

"Abd-el-Kader's death in Damascus on Saturday was mourned in Al-Beyt Ullahie-'l Haram, Masonic Temple, by the American branch of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine last night. The mourners included Dr. W. M. Fleming and Grand Potentates, Rabbans, and Shareefs from various temples of the East and West. The mourners wore a full Arabic costume of fine and elaborately decorated silks. Gold crescents glistened on their turbans, and tiger claws bound together in the form of crescents, sphinx heads, golden suns, stars, pyramids, and Egyptian obelisks were displayed. The High Priest stood on a throne, and conducted the memorial rites. Banners bearing inscriptions in Arabic stood behind the High Priest. In front of the throne was a black velvet coffin containing a bleached skeleton, typifying death. A letter written on parchment by Abd-el-Kader, a golden helmet, and emblems of the Order rested upon the coffin. An altar draped in mourning



was in the middle of the chamber. A symbolical urn exhaled incense during the ceremonies. Two scimiters were crossed at the base of the urn on one end of the altar, and a copy of the Koran in Arabic was upon the other end, with glittering scimiters crossed upon it. A large tomb, the sides of which were covered with hieroglyphics, stood at the end of the chamber, and two masked and turbaned Rabbans, glittering with mystic emblems, sat in front of the tomb, before which rose a banner bearing the words, '*Es selamu aleikum*,' or 'Peace be with you.'

"It was not generally known that Abd-el-Kader's death at Damascus would cause mourning among Americans. It has, however, affected about five hundred citizens of New York and about five thousand residents of the United States who are members of the 'Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for the United States of America.'"

HIS DEATH PROCLAIMED

The following documents were transmitted to the Committee on the Deceased at the Imperial Council June 6, 1883, by the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate, who had proclaimed them during the ceremonies held in Mecca Temple, on May 31, 1883:

ABD-EL-KADER

"On Saturday, May 26, 1883, a cable dispatch from Constantinople, Turkey, announced the death on that day of the Illustrious Noble El-Hadji Abd-el-Kader, Grand Potentate of the Temple Saladin, Damascus, Syria. Upon receipt of this information it was deemed important by the official Directory of the Imperial Council of the Shrine to publish the following notice, which was done:

NOBILITY OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE

Proclamation emanating from the Congress, Imperial Council, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, United States of America:

To all Illustrious Potentates, Rabbans, and Noble Shareefs throughout the jurisdiction of the Western Hemisphere:

AFFLICTION — DISTRESS — SORROW

Illustrious Noble El-Hadji Abd-el-Kader, Grand Sheik of Alee Temple, Mecca, Arabia, under the domain of the Crescent, is dead. This renowned Shareef of the Order Bektasheeyeh, or Mystic Shrine, of the Abd-el-Kader el-Bagdadeeyeh, Grand Potentate of Temple Saladin, Damascus, is officially announced departed to the Unseen Temple. You are hereby commanded, imperial and subordinate, for the full term of the next three crescent moons after this mandate, within the mystic sanctuaries of the Shrine, in accordance with the ancient Oriental custom, to drape your altars and tombs with the insignia of mourning, and let the symbolic funeral urn be placed upon the sacred black stone, there to exhale incense during all ceremonials, and inscribe upon your Temple Records notice of the same. Executive action will also be taken at the annual session of the Imperial Council on June 6, 1883, at Masonic Temple, city of New York. In obedience to supreme decree.

WALTER M. FLEMING, 33°, Imperial Potentate.
WILLIAM S. PATERSON, 33°, Imperial Recorder.

"Copies of this notice were at once forwarded to each and every temple of the Shrine in our jurisdiction, and the requirements of the mandate expected to be complied with, in obedience to which Mecca Temple appears now in the required garb of mourning.

"I will state as a matter of information to those who are uninformed, that by reference to Syrian history the lineage, birth, life, fame, and remarkable career of this great Sheik will be found largely portrayed. I also respectfully refer to the printed proceedings of the last annual session of our Imperial Council for a correspondence with this renowned Shareef.

"I herewith submit a brief review of his origin, and history of his famous career; his connection with Masonry and its allies, the Bektasheeyeh, or Mystic Shrine, and its coadjuvants or branches, named after the founders and rulers of each, among the most noted and interesting at this time being the branch named after this great Arab Sheik, 'The Abd-el-Kader el-Bagdadeeyeh' and the sister temples — Darkaweeyeh, Kowaneeyeh, and Eesaweeyeh. For details, reference is made to our 'Origin and History' of the Order.

HISTORY OF EL-HADJI ABD-EL-KADER ULID MAHIDDIN

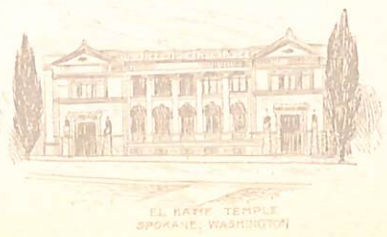
"Abd-el-Kader was an Arab emir in Algeria. He was born near Mascara, Algiers, in 1807, and was descended from an ancient family of Marabouts, son of Mahiddin, an emir of great power and influence, who, being suspected, under secret alliance, of plotting the subversion of Turkish rule, was compelled to retire with his son to Cairo, Egypt, in 1827. Some authorities trace his lineage directly from the Prophet.

"When Abd-el-Kader returned from this exile, Algiers had been captured by the French. This young emir being a man of most remarkable powers and accomplishments, and of the greatest bravery, soon became the chief and leader of his countrymen, and through the Order Bektasheeyeh, or Mystic Shrine, speedily organized a system of resistance to the invaders, at the head of his own tribes.

"The French Commandant of Oran made an attack on his stronghold at Tlemcen, in 1832, and was defeated. The subsequent attacks of Abd-el-Kader and his followers upon the French were conducted with such skill and bravery that the Arabs proclaimed him the Chief of the Believers, and France acknowledged his sway over the tribes west of the Shelliff. They became alarmed by his growing power in this secret organization of the Shrine, then designated 'the Bektashee Abd-el-Kader el-Bagdadeeyeh,' and again commenced hostilities. The French forces in their march upon Mascara were surprised and utterly defeated by Abd-el-Kader in the defile of Muley Ismail. In January, 1836, the French succeeded in destroying Mascara and capturing Tlemcen, establishing a garrison. But they were at once obliged to make a disastrous retreat to Oran. Abd-el-Kader was, however, defeated July 7, 1836, and concluded to make peace with the French, and was himself confirmed as Emir of Oran, Titteri, and a portion of Algiers; but not content, he renewed the war in 1839. After a desperate conflict he was defeated, and in 1842 took refuge in Morocco, where the Emperor, being one of the same secret alliance, aided him against the French. But the Moorish ruler was defeated at Isly, August 14, 1844, and suffered many subsequent disastrous defeats. Abd-el-Kader was finally captured and sent to Paris in 1848.

"Although the condition of his surrender was that he should be sent to Egypt or St. Jean d'Acre, he was detained in France, until released by Louis Napoleon in 1852, with a pension of one hundred thousand francs, on condition that he should not return to Algeria, nor take up arms against the French. He went to Broussa, Asia Minor, which place being destroyed by an earthquake in 1855, he removed to Constantinople. He subsequently took up his residence in Damascus, where he distinguished him-

INDIA TEMPLE
OKLAHOMA, CITY



self by generously aiding the Christians with the Shrine during the sanguinary riots in the summer of 1860.

"In 1864 he went to Egypt, where he was presented with a tract of land by M. De Lesseps, projector of the Suez Canal.

"During this sojourn (through the fact that, by the powers of the Bektashee, or Shrine, over which he ruled as Grand Sheik, by his aid to the Christians in 1860) he was honored by being made a Freemason of high grade.

"He was the father of twenty-four children, most of whom are deceased. One of his daughters has become a convert to Christianity.

"Abd-el-Kader is the author of a book of philosophico-religious meditation, written in Arabic, while in exile. He was altogether a most remarkable man, noble and generous in character, and an uncompromising enemy to fanaticism and intolerance. He twice made the pilgrimage to Mecca, the first being made at the age of eight years. He was Grand Sheik of the Parent Alee Temple at Mecca, as also of the Temple Saladin, Damascus.

"In recognition of the exalted station of this deceased noble Sheik, as one of the greatest representatives of our Order, together with his connection with the Masonic Fraternity, I respectfully submit these historical facts, to be inscribed upon our Records, and recommend that a memorial page be set apart to the honor of his fair fame."

THE MYSTIC SHRINE IN PERSIA

The following document was transmitted to the Imperial Council at the session held June 6, 1883, by Noble Albert L. Rawson, Representative of the Temple in the East, and was ordered printed with the proceedings:

To the Imperial Council of the United States of America:

I have the pleasure of laying before your august body the following extract from an article on Persia, written for the Schaff-Herzog Encyclopædia of Religious Knowledge, by Rev. P. Z. Easton, resident missionary at Tabreez, Persia:

The whole trend of the Mohammedan world, nay, we may say of the Oriental world, is in the direction of this pantheistic dervish system. The pressure of the European powers, of Christianity, and the reaction against the secularization of the official heads of Mohammedism, all contribute greatly to strengthen dervish Mohammedism. New orders have sprung up; old orders have been strengthened. The present Sultan might almost be called a dervish, surrounded by dervish counselors, having as his aim to propagate dervish principles. The doctrine of the Mahdi, or guide, is a dervish doctrine. The impending change in the seat of the caliphate cannot fail to help the movement; and if, as seems not unlikely, Bagdad be the new center, that is the very center of the dervish world, its "City of Saints." Already there have been, within the present century, three marked manifestations of this religious system —Muridism or Shamylism in the Caucasus, the Brahmo Somaj in India, and Babism in Persia. The first has been put down, but only after a war of thirty-five years, which tasked the resources of the Russian Empire. The other two have but begun to manifest themselves; and it is a significant fact, that they are not merely defensive, but offensive, movements. Chunder Sen has lately given out that he is about to visit Europe as the bearer of a divine command to it to abandon its sectarianism, and receive the universal religion. If we are inclined to laugh at the idea, we should do well to remember that many of the leading minds in Europe and America are more in sympathy with this Oriental Pantheism than with Christianity; that Emerson was but a Persian Sufi in a Yankee dress; and that at the very time these lines are being penned (May, 1883), five thousand American citizens, members of the order of Bektashi dervishes, are commemorating with Oriental rites the death of Abd-el-Kader.

THE MYSTIC SHRINE IN EGYPT

The following document was transmitted to the Imperial Council by the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate and was ordered printed with the proceedings:

To Walter M. Fleming, 33°, *Most Illustrious Grand Potentate of the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, for the United States of America:*

Illustrious Sir and Brother: Having been present at the "Doseh" the last time that ceremony was performed at Cairo, it has been thought that the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, who have witnessed only the somewhat modified ceremony as seen in the various temples of the Occidental branch of the Order, would be interested in a brief account of the same, with its attendant pomp and pageantry.

I therefore send you the following account of what I saw, hoping that it may be of service to you and those of your associates in this Ancient Arabic Order, to whom its members in this country are so deeply indebted for having modified the Oriental customs of the Order so much (and only so much) as was necessary for them to occupy to the utmost the extensive field of usefulness and beneficence which is open to the Mystic Shrine in this country.

On a morning in February, which was as clear and bright as the most ideally perfect day of June in this country, I rode out in company with a large number of visitors and natives to meet the Sacred Caravan on its annual return from the pilgrimage to Mecca.

We passed out of the city by the Bab-en-Nasr, or "Gate of Victory," the plan of which was made from the ancient Roman Castle of Babylon in Old Cairo. We took up our station at the side of the road, where we could be certain of having a good view of the caravan and its escort.

The interval of waiting was enlivened by the amusing antics of the numerous jugglers, snake charmers, and mountebanks, who were continually coming and going and vociferously demanding "backsheesh."

Soon, however, the strains of martial music were heard, and then a regiment of cavalry, followed by six full regiments of infantry, came into view. Two of the latter were composed wholly of Nubians, who were as black as any human beings can be. The others were made up of the lighter colored natives of lower Egypt. The military were all richly uniformed, and their appearance in marching would have done no discredit to some of our crack New York regiments.

Then came the numerous orders of Dervishes, in quaint, flowing Oriental robes, each of the orders bearing numerous rich and showy banners, and many of their members wore the green turban, which signified that they were descendants of the Prophet, or that they had made the holy pilgrimage and saluted the Kaaba at Mecca. Two of these bodies of men wore brown robes and curious conical hats, and I afterward learned, when visiting their Mosques in company with a well-known Moslem, that one of these bodies was the Whirling and the other the Howling Dervishes.

Finally came the pilgrims, mounted on camels, headed by their Sheik, who had tried to become more worthy of the blessing of Allah by having ridden all the distance "across the burning sands of the desert," bareheaded and naked to the waist. He appeared to have suffered severely from his exposure to the blazing sun.

Then came the sacred camel, bearing on his back a curious structure looking somewhat like a tent of richly embroidered velvet. This was emblematic of royalty. Within this tent was the sacred carpet, brought back from Mecca, and at its side hung two copies of Al Koran.

As the long procession entered the gate and passed through the wider streets of the city, we drove by a shorter way and took up our position in the Rumeleh, the large open space in front of the citadel, where the Khedive, with his richly uniformed officers, both civil and military, was waiting in the royal tent to welcome the pilgrims.

As soon as the procession came in sight minute guns were fired, and this was kept up until the last of the pilgrims had passed the tent of the Khedive. As each pilgrim came in front of the Khedive he halted, and greeted him with the Oriental salaam, which greeting was courteously acknowledged.

After the reception was concluded, they repaired to a camp ground near the Nile, where a great number of tents had been erected around a large open space for the accommodation of the pilgrims and the representatives of the three hundred mosques in "Grand Cairo."

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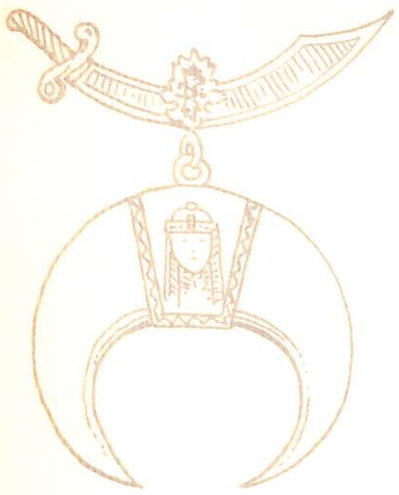


ZA GA ZIG TEMPLE
DES MOINES - IOWA

The camp meeting lasted for several days. Within the line of tents everything was conducted with the utmost solemnity. Services were in progress at all hours of the day and night. They were most fully attended in the hours between sunset and the Muezzin's call for morning prayers. Within these hours processions bearing beautifully illuminated banners and marching to Oriental music were continually coming and going.

The services in the tents consisted principally of reading the Koran and praying. Each Moslem as he enters a tent washes his hands and takes off his shoes before engaging in the services. While reading he sits cross-legged, swaying the body rhythmically backward and forward. While engaged in prayer he kneels, facing toward Mecca, and at various points prostrates himself.

Without the line of tents which were erected about a hollow square, tents were erected for theaters and amusements of various kinds, as well as for the sale of refreshments and sweetmeats.

All the ceremonies I have described were preliminary to the Doseh, with which the camp meeting closed. This service always brings to Cairo the largest number of visitors of anything in the entire year. The Khedive was present with his entire court. The veiled inmates of all the Harems of the wealthier Moslems were there in carriages, each one guarded by an armed eunuch.

The crowd was enormous, and as nearly every costume that can be imagined outside of the Arctic regions was represented, it will be readily understood that the appearance of the multitudes of people was bizarre in the extreme.

By a judicious outlay of "backsheesh" I was enabled to secure a place inside the line of Harem carriages, so that I stood within six feet of where some of the dervishes were ridden over.

At a given signal those who had volunteered for this service came in procession down the line, looking wild and weird, and wearing nothing but a fez and a light garment about their loins. When the time came they all lay down side by side, with their backs upward, and as closely together as possible. Then for a few moments, in all that mighty multitude, came a silence that could be felt. Afterward the Sheik of the returned pilgrims, mounted on a milk-white horse, rode slowly along the line on the bodies of the three hundred and fifty dervishes who were lying there.

As he passed, the lines were broken by the multitude, who rushed in to take care of those who had been ridden over, shouting with all their might, "Allah il Allah! Allah il Allah!" and thus ended the ceremony.

Hoping that continued prosperity may attend you and the Illustrious Order over which you preside, I remain,

Truly and fraternally yours,

SERANUS BOWEN, M. D.,
Scherif of Mecca Temple, New York.

THE MYSTIC SHRINE IN ASIATIC TURKEY

The following document was transmitted to the Imperial Council by Rev. Cornelius L. Twing, member of Mecca Temple, concerning the history of one of his early ancestors, who was largely concerned in the troublous times which Bassorah underwent in the eighteenth century. The document was received and ordered to be printed with the proceedings:

To the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate, WALTER M. FLEMING, GREETING:

I have the pleasure of transmitting to you the following history of one of my ancestors, Sheik Twing, who was a prominent figure in the history of Asiatic Turkey toward the end of the eighteenth century, and especially in the disasters which befell Bassorah, a frontier city situated in Asiatic Turkey, on the Shat-el-Arab, formed by the junction of the Euphrates and the Tigris, two hundred and seventy miles southeast of Bagdad. The Sheik Twing mentioned was one of the influential Nobles of our Order, and his reputation for bravery and administration are well exemplified in this little episode. It is taken from the "Tales of Old Travel," by Henry Kingsley, F. R. G. S., and occurs in narrating the history of a young traveler, Robert Everard, in Eastern countries.

Robert Everard had happened to arrive at Bassorah at the very time (1691) when that town was passing out of the Persian hands forever. Not forever out of *Arab* hands, nevertheless. One finds in reading Franklin's voyage from Bengal to Persia that ninety-six years afterwards (1787) a certain sheik, Twing, having been on a raid against a brother sheik, was met rather dangerously near to the desert by the Governor of Bassorah, who came out at a kind of picnic to congratulate the sheik, his friend, on his successful plundering expedition. Instigated by the devil, no doubt, the sheik took it into his head to take the Governor prisoner, to send him to the rear, and to claim the town of Bassorah as his own in right of his ancestor (doubtless the sheik who had held it for twelve months in 1691, and in whose bombardment little Robert Everhard had assisted). This very clever sheik made a splendid *coup d'état* of it. He sent in fifteen hundred Arabs to take possession of the palace; they seem to have been unopposed, the inhabitants probably thinking that they could not be worse off, and might be better. After finding that they did not make their experimentum on the vile bodies of his fifteen hundred, Sheik Twing trusted his own sacred person in, seized the shipping, inhabited the palace, and gave the most polite assurances to the inhabitants. The next thing he did was to send a note, in a tone of injured innocence, to Constantinople, lamenting that he should have been kept out of his just rights (which he had just invented) so long; promising his allegiance to the Porte on condition of having given him the Pashalic of Bassorah and *Bagdad* (quite a new idea, developed as rapidly as the original one). After this glorious piece of coolness, he had collected all the Jew and Armenian merchants, and had got a loan of six thousand tomans from them. A forced loan? Oh, dear, no; only you would find it on the whole best to make it. The security? Why, the carefully worded bond of the sheik himself; who, however, as soon as he had got it, thought it just as well to get out of the mud-walled fortification of Bassorah, and have the safe desert clear behind him.

As the news from Constantinople might be rather unfavorable, as the Grand Seigneur might not exactly like such a degree of coolness as he had exhibited, he marched up the Euphrates towards Bagdad, just to anticipate the messenger with the firman. If it was favorable, good; if unfavorable, none could be the worse except the messenger.

Now a big brother of his, who had been set aside in the succession to the sheikdom by their father, had been waiting all his life to give his younger brother what is called in low life "a hoist." When this wicked younger brother of his had so shamelessly invaded the territories of the head of the holy Mohammedan religion, had captured his governor, had marched into Bassorah, the righteous soul of the dispossessed elder brother burned with ire. His own flesh and blood was one thing, but this insult to the Sublime Porte was another. He fled into the arms of the Pasha of Bagdad, and raised such a wasps' nest about his dear younger brother's ears, that I should fancy more than once that Sheik Twing wished that their father had left his elder brother in quiet possession of the sheikdom.

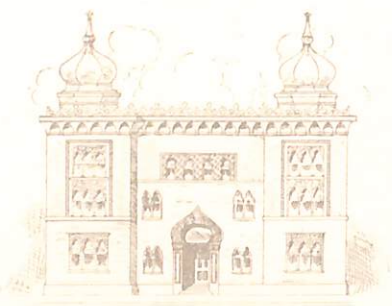
The Porte never answered his letter; they merely wrote to the Pasha of Bagdad ordering his head. The Pasha made friends with a neighboring tribe of Arabs, the Bandi, whom Twing had scorned in his prosperity, and together they attacked the audacious sheik. He very nearly won, but the allies were too strong for him. His army was as much beaten as an Arab army ever is, and he went home (with the six thousand tomans), and up to the latest intelligence (December, 1787) remained there on his native desert in peace. It may be considered as highly probable that his elder brother did *not* follow him to the paternal tents.

As for the Jew and Armenian merchants who had most audaciously presumed to save their throats from being cut from one ear to another by giving this sheik the money he demanded, you may be sure that they met with the deserts of their crime as soon as the Turks got back into Bassorah. They had to pay through the nose. Sheik Twing had plagued them with whips; the new Governor of Bassorah (one does not read what Sheik Twing did with the old one) plagued them with scorpions.

The Grand Seigneur appointed Ahmed, the traitorous elder brother, as sheik in room of his brother Twing. One cannot help wondering if he ever went and took possession.

Courteously submitted,

CORNELIUS L. TWING,
St. Thomas' Mission, Brooklyn, E. D.



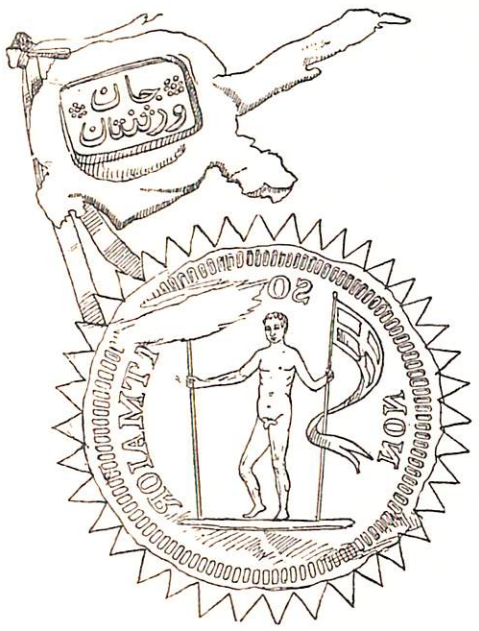
THE MYSTIC SHRINE IN MALTA

The following document was transmitted by Noble John Worthington, Consul of the United States at Malta, to the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate, and it was likewise received by the Imperial Council and ordered to be printed with the proceedings:

UNITED STATES CONSULATE, MALTA,
No. 10 Strada Mezzodi, April 20, 1884.

To WALTER M. FLEMING, 33°, *Illustrious Grand Potentate of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, New York, U. S. A.:*

ILLUSTRIOUS AND HONORED BROTHER: Permit me, though at this late day, to convey to you with this communication, per the mail packet that leaves this port to-day, the inclosed documents. Your esteemed and most excellent letter of November 20 lies before me as I write these lines, and their kindly expressions of pleasure at my improvement in health, and your warmly worded hopes that my years may yet be many and abundant with happiness, were very grateful to me. I reproach myself not a little in that my apparent tardiness to reply thereto must have seemed to you inattention, or, at least, unintentional remissness; but of course you know before this, through my sponsor, Brother George W. Millar, of my frequent absences from this island, of my visits to Tunis, Egypt, and Sicily, and of the excursion I made into the stricken Soudan.



SEALS IN WAX ON LETTER.

I shall, I hope, have much of interest to impart to you, and through you to the Imperial Council of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in the United States, of my visits to the lands where the Order had its birth, and where to-day, even, and especially in the midst of the cruel scenes that are being enacted amid the splendors of the Orient sun, that Order is not only strong and flourishing, but wields an influence of beneficent and ripened power — material as well as moral — that no other institution in the East, however potent and august, maintains, nor, I believe, can ever hope to equal. Our aims are so high, our motives so unselfish, our object so pure, our works so pregnant with advantage, and so utterly unalloyed with any of the baser elements of counterfeit worth, that too often discolor, actuate, and control human associations to their belittlement, that, as day unto day uttereth speech and night unto night showeth knowledge, my pride in my membership of, my undeviating confidence in, and my reverence for the grand old Order grows firmer and more absorbing.

My visit to the Alee Pasha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, at Cairo, was replete and rich with pleasure and satisfaction. The Brotherhood in Egypt surely flourishes, is fruitful in good works, and is as beautiful as are the queenly palms which wave their feathery arms in the soft airs that crinkle the surface of the lordly Nile into rippling lines of loveliest corrugations, or cast their cooling shadows upon the unveiled bosoms of the star-eyed daughters of Egypt. The ritual that I witnessed exemplified within the secret walls of the Mystic Temple of Masr el-Kahirah [Cairo the Victorious] was superb and full of harmonious proportions, both to the eye and ear. All the refinest senses were stirred to their deepest by the elaborate and luxuriant beauty of detail and fulfillment. The ritual in this temple is simply the perfection of high art. It works, by grand and elegant treads, up to a gorgeous consummation as easily and as brilliantly as Aurora's dawn; finally, but without crisis, sinks into the sea of glory with which Egypt's sun-god floods the green delta and the golden sands. You must see the living, pulseful, throbbing sunrise in the land of Egypt to appreciate my metaphor, I fear, for nowhere else on earth is that scene so magnificent. It glorifies all it touches, and makes even the scarred and monstrous pyramid of Cheops a tangible dream of eternal beauty.

The Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in Cairo have their fine Order much at heart, and are enthusiastic in its behalf. They are truly a noble body of men, and my observation of and contact with them taught me that beneath a Moslem turban may beat a heart actuated by as noble sentiments and as tender a love as exists in the soul of the most praiseworthy Christian gentleman. I shall not soon forget the warm, fraternal greeting that Brother Hassan Solyman gave me at Shepherd's Hotel, Cairo. I had just come out from dinner, and was smoking my cigar. I did not know who he was when he came into the room, but was struck by his fine presence and bright-eyed strength of glance at once. He wore the ornamented red fez of his civil authoritative position in the Egyptian government, but was otherwise dressed in European clothes. He was a full-blooded Egyptian and an ardent Mussulman all the same; an Egyptian and a Mussulman of the higher class, educated and refined in all the graces that please and in that exalted humanity which only makes man a little lower than the angels. I noticed the glittering jewel of Al Akarim suspended across his white vest first, and then the seal ring of the Order of the Mejidie on his finger. Seeing the tiger crescent at my watch chain, he advanced without hesitation to where I was standing, and put his right hand over his heart, then kissed that hand, and touched his forehead, as he said:

"Es Selamu Aleikum."

"Aleikum es Selam," was my reply, at which he literally fell upon my neck, after the good and hearty, if florid, old manner of the days of the Patriarchs. The manners of the Oriental people are as attractive as their costumes, and their everyday life and everyday meetings are but lesser repetitions of our Shrine carriage.

Brother Hassan could not do too much for me, and was by far too generous, I felt, in his unlimited hospitality while I remained in and near Cairo. His brother was the prime Sheik of the tribe of Bedouins that guarded the Pyramids of Gizeh, was a Noble of the Shrine, and well up in all that makes an efficient and sincere Shrinite. Under their excellent and enlightened guidance I made pilgrimages into and to the top of the Pyramids, through the alabaster and other tombs that are strewn in pathetic profusion over the Gizeh plateau, lunched with them in a sixty-ton sarcophagus that once contained the embalmed body of a sacred bull in the wonderful Apis tombs, strolled with them over the sand-strewn site of ancient Memphis, viewed the prostrate colossal granite statue of Rameses II, where it lay face downward,—a fitting representation of Egypt's fallen grandeur,—secured a piece of the black hair of the Sphinx,—"The Watchful" (which relic I have forwarded to Brother Millar); and it was under Hassan's guidance that I found myself a welcome guest in the Alee Pasha Temple of our illustrious Shrine in Egypt, where, as I have said, I was able to behold a ceremony distinguished in my memory by a pomp and pageantry, splendor and voluptuousness, that is beyond the ability of my stammering tongue and feeble pen to recapitulate.

Nor may I recite in this brief communication the more than brotherly kindness shown me by Brother Tewfik Pasha, the present Khedive. He displayed much interest in the Order in the United States, and asked intelligently touching sundry details and characteristics of our ritual. During coffee and cigarettes I ventured to tell him of the devotion you rendered to all that pertained to the Mystic Shrine, not only in the city of New York, but throughout the Union, at which he commended you in laudatory terms. I honestly believe, Illustrious Brother, that, should you visit Egypt, His Highness would confer on you the Egyptian civil order of Nobility—the Mejidie—at sight! I gave him a word-sketch of your personal appearance—which resembled his own in height, weight, and age, barring your flowing side whiskers. The Khedive, you know, perhaps, wears a short-cut full beard, and dresses in quiet and good taste. He was pained to learn of the recent conflagration that destroyed so much of value in our New York Temple, but pleasantly said he thought an American Howadji could rally from a disaster with more promptness and cheerfulness and begin anew with a braver heart than any earthly Arab!

The Shrine of Alexandria, where, almost in the shadow of Pompey's Pillar, our sacred rites are held, is appropriately in a structure on the site of an ancient palace of the Ptolemies, on the very spot where the mystic rites of the ancients were once performed. The ritual there as I saw it was all that the most zealous Noble could have desired in points of rich

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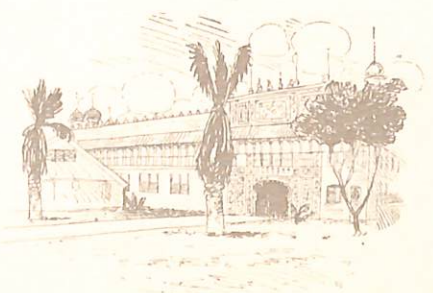
HELENA MONTANA



AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE
LOS ANGELES, CAL.

ARARAT TEMPLE
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EL RIAD TEMPLE
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and varied costumes, valuable and numerous jewels, and striking antique appointments. Two of the altars were of priceless value, inlaid with symbolisms outlined in a mosaic of precious stones, their beautiful capitals and bases beaded with rows of scarabei—a sparkling gem let into the back of each bug. These scarabei were in themselves, aside from the gems they bore, of inestimable worth, for they were found in the left breast of the mummy of Queen Amenhotep (her heart having been removed to give place to them by the embalmers) by Mariette Bey, and presented to the Alexandria Shrine, of which he was a devoted member. The smallest of these altars would ransom a hundred princes; the largest would buy a kingdom! They are carefully guarded night and day by armed servitors of the Shrine. The yataghan used during the ceremony is a very meteor in its flashing curve, its handle and hilt encrusted with precious stones, its scabbard made from one solid slab of lapis lazuli dug out by long needle-like instruments in the patient hands of Damascus workmen after years of care and toil. The scepter used by the Grand Potentate was of solid gold, its crescent cut from a huge diamond. The chippings from this diamond stud the neck of the spear used by the First Ceremonial Master. The ritual of the Alexandria Mystics is as fervent and glowing as the Shrine appointments are celebrated and splendid.

In Tunis, the young and handsome ex-Prime Minister (who married a daughter of the Bey) is one of our most earnest and faithful Brothers. Intelligent, keen-thoughted, sunny-hearted, liberal-viewed, energetic and capable, he is a vigorous and splendid specimen of a Mohammedan Noble of our beloved Order. While my wife was being entertained by his beautiful wife, the Princess, in the hareem quarter of the palace, His Excellency gave me audience in his well-stocked library, whose windowed balcony overlooked the sun-bathed plain in which ancient Utica was once "pent up." He informed me of the growth and present strength of the Shrine in Tunis, adding that the very best of the wealthiest Tunisians were annually honoring themselves and enriching the Shrine by joining the world-girdling Brotherhood. Could I have remained a week longer in that olive-growing and smiling country, I should have been able to have witnessed a solemn conclave held amid the massive ruins of ancient Carthage itself—that renowned Carthage which was once the home of Hannibal, and whose queen was at one period the deathless Dido, concerning the manner of whose death our childhood's hours were often spent in questioning. Carthage is but half a dozen miles out of Tunis, and its famous cisterns, built by the old Carthagenians, are as substantial and leakless at this moment as they were upwards of two thousand years ago.

It may interest you to know that while in Tunis I visited the now empty grave of Illustrious Noble John Howard Payne, whose "Home, Sweet Home" made Payne's fame. Payne's bones lay here during thirty long years, and when Mr. Corcoran of Washington moved them to the United States, the grave was left in a most deplorable condition, and so continues. Something ought to be done to at least mark the spot, and I should be glad to make one of fifty or one hundred Nobles to place a suitable slab over the neglected tomb of this upright man, Mason, and Illustrious Noble. All the rest of the pretty cemetery is nicely cared for, and is aglow with many colored flowers and quaint-leaved shrubs.

I am in hopes before long to report that the Mystic seed planted in this wave-washed island of Malta has taken firm root, to sprout and blossom into illustrious fruition. It would be a grand place for a Shrine. Malta has a glorious lineage and a known record of thirty-eight hundred years. Only last week I saw and irreverently sat down on a veritable altar (pitted with the sacred marks of the ancients who sacrificed on it) still standing in the inclosure of a roofless temple erected by those hardy mariners who first peopled the island—the Phœnicians. The worship of Baal was consummated on this spot, called Hagier Khem, and seven Phœnician granite deities were lately excavated here, bearing a striking resemblance to the older of the Egyptian stone gods. Baal was worshiped here thirty-seven centuries ago.

Calypso's Cave is in this island, she whose praises Homer has anthemed in his stately Odyssey; and when I stood last Sabbath in the famous grotto where the mighty Ulysses was enchanted, I recalled the poet's lines in his Fifth Book:

"Large was the grot, in which the nymph he found
(The fair-hair'd nymph with every beauty crown'd).
She sate and sung; the rocks resound her lays,
The cave was brighten'd with a rising blaze;
Cedar and frankincense, an odorous pile,
Flamed on the hearth, and wide perfumed the isle;
While she with work and song the time divides,
And through the loom the golden shuttle guides.

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A scene, where, if a god should cast his sight,
A god might gaze, and wander with delight!"

Truth compels me, however, to say that only a poet with an iron-clad imagination could have transformed this miserable water-dripping cavern into a goddess's bower.

It was in this island where the first great Christian orator was wrecked, and to this day the festa of St. Paul's disaster is celebrated each tenth of February by every man, woman, and child of the one hundred and fifty thousand Maltese who inhabit the island.

But nothing has added so much just renown to Malta as the deeds done here by the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem. The forts they built, the forty-foot thick ramparts and bastions, and the deep, rock-bottom moats they constructed, the solemn-faced churches and grand palaces they worshiped and lived in, the vast hospital, in which with their own knightly hands they gave skillful and tender care to the sick and wounded and dying of the island—all these, together with the recollections of their wonderful valor in battle and their undeviating devotion to the Red Cross Banner in peace and in war, on sea and land, give Malta a charm and a history that create it a shrine to all chivalric hearts of every nation and creed. It may be a bit of information for you to know that the longest single room in Europe, unsupported by pillars, is a sick ward in this Knights' Hospital, and it is 505 feet in length, 34 feet broad, and 30 feet in height.

Hence, I venture to hope that a Shrine of our Mystic Order may be erected on this right and tight little island at no very distant day.

The Maltese have much in common with the Arabs in all save religion. They are the stanchest of Roman Catholics, but their customs, their somewhat flowery language even in trifling matters, their manner of holding festivals, the style of music, the love of tales in which vivid imagery and redundant speech abound, the washing of feet before religious service, and a thousand and one small, nameless incidents of daily life, show how even the existence of the Maltese of the nineteenth century is still infected and colored by the long years of Arab occupation before the Christian era, when the Crescent was an emblem, and a carved pyramid on a house front was the synonym of the idea of eternal stability.

Before closing, Illustrious Brother, indulge me to relate in a few words an authentic incident which occurred at the late (first) battle of Teb, in the Soudan. It was told me by an Arab Noble of the Mystics, Omar el-Said by name, while we were journeying in company from Suakim to Suez. Omitting many minor but interesting details, and departing from the Oriental style of expression with which he made his narrative a perfect flower garden of speech, he said:

Ahmed Effendi Kadri was a Turkish soldier of fortune, whose love for the excitement and strife of battle arose more from a desire for diversion than from a thirst for blood. Fighting was a pastime to him, and from youth he had wandered from tribe to tribe through Arabia, volunteering wherever and whenever conflicts were imminent. He was a stalwart believer in Il-Islam, and performed his religious duties piously. He was an officer under Osman Digna in that general's battle with the forces of General Baker Pasha, of unsavory English railway reputation. While the conduct of Baker's Egyptian troops was such at that battle (Teb) that humanity's cheek mantled with shame at the story, there were, here and there, among Baker's officers, men of undoubted courage and chivalrous instincts. One such, in especial, was Badawy Mahmood, a Bashi-Bazook of local fighting fame, who, during the battle, after having been deserted by the cluster of followers under his immediate command, determined to die as became a warrior in whose veins coursed the blood of Mohammed Ali (that grand old man whose craggy splendor of person and intrepid prowess in bloody battles is still the theme of song and story in many an Arab camp and Kaah). Badawy's wounds were numerous, and his strength had been lessened with his blood; but being pressed to the point, he flung away his robes, placed the Crescent claws, that he wore suspended around his neck, over his heart, and making a feeble barricade of his dead horse, placed his back against a bowlder that had fallen from a cliff into the ravine in which he had been left, and then, baring

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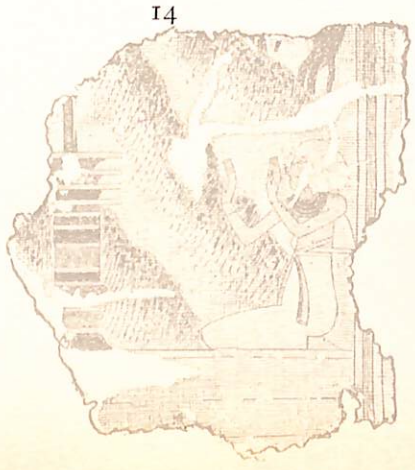


his brave and wounded breast to the yelling, spear-armed foes who were advancing on him with an avalanche-like impetuosity, he grasped his good sword—the only friend left him—and waited the final onslaught with an attitude that proudly said:

"This rock shall fly
From its firm base as soon as I!"

Badawy Mahmood well knew there was no hope of rescue for him. Flushed and crazed with their sudden victory over the enemies of El Mahdi, Badawy felt it would be useless to appeal at such a wild moment to their religious brotherhood—for the Soudanese, with himself, believed "there was no god but God, and that Mohammed was his prophet." Straight and true the brave fellow's sword did its crimson work of defense for several minutes, and the ground and horse before him were piled with "Moslem slain." During this tragic and unequal combat, Badawy's wounds from spear-thrusts were not few, but none had proved vital. With a fresh rush a dozen Soudanese, maddened by their repulse, flew at him again, and would certainly have put him to death but that Ahmed Effendi Kadri, the Turkish officer in command of the attacking party, to the amazement of his followers, suddenly leaped from his steed, and dashed between the plucky Bashi-Bazook and his own warriors, striking down their spears and shouting for them to desist. They did, but with reluctance, and retired a few yards.

Ahmed turned to his gallant enemy, touched the dangling Crescent with his finger, and, making the Shrine salutation, said eagerly:

"Es Selamu Aleikum!"

To which Badawy replied, dropping the point of his weapon:

"Aleikum es Selam!"

"Then it is true!" cried Ahmed; "thou art indeed my Brother. At the Mystic Shrine at Mecca we have met. It was I, O my Brother, who was thy Oriental Guide (Ayn), and conducted thee through the "Mysterious Realms" on the feast of Ramazan. But all now is well. Thou art a Noble Brother, and 'Robur et Furor' doth become thee well. But stay! Wilt thou have my life in requital for thy spilt blood? Say but the word, and by the Holy Koran, I die at thy feet."

"Nay, Brother," returned the brave Badawy, "Live; and if Allah spares this body of mine from the tomb, we will yet enjoy many blessed moments at the Shrine of the Written Law in heavenly Mecca!"

"God is good," reverently replied Ahmed.

"God is great," said Mahmood, and from that moment life and comfort and the choicest of care were secured to him.

"So," concluded Omar el-Said, grasping my hand effusively and giving me the Noble grip, "even in a gross and physical sense alone, it is a fine thing to be a Brother of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine."

"Amen," said I.

I have the honor to be, Illustrious Sir and Brother, yours in the noble cause,

JOHN WORTHINGTON,
Deputy and Representative of the Imperial Council at Malta, Mediterranean Sea.

HISTORY OF THE IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

As has been intimated, the work of the Shrine in this country for the first few years of its existence had been spasmodic, but new Temples had been created and the mysteries communicated to or conferred upon the petitioning novices, who were required to be either Knights Templar or thirty-second degree Masons of the Scottish Rite (eighteenth degree in England).

The Imperial Grand Council was not held until the centennial year of this country, and the records of the work of the Shrine for the five preceding years are very incomplete. Up to this time only Mecca Temple was in existence. The first session of Mecca Temple was held at Masonic Hall, 114 East Thirteenth Street, New York, June 16, 1871, and by the authority of Dr. Fleming and W. J. Florence, the following Knights Templar and Scottish Rite Masons of the thirty-second or thirty-third degree were duly received into the Order:

EDWARD EDDY
JAMES S. CHAPPELL
CHARLES T. MCCLENACHAN
GEORGE W. MILLAR
DANIEL SICKELS
OSWALD MERLE D'AUBIGNÉ
JOHN A. MOORE
WILLIAM S. PATERSON
ALBERT P. MORIARTY
JOHN W. SIMONS
SHERWOOD C. CAMPBELL

The necessary arrangements for the formation of a temple having been made, a regular session was called at the Masonic Hall on September 26, 1872, with all the above mentioned Nobles present except Nobles Florence and Campbell, and a temple was duly formed under the name of "Mecca." The original thirteen Nobles were named as charter members. Noble Florence sent letters of advice and instruction, and these, together with the history of the Order, the circumstances and authority for its appearance in America, were read and the following Divan chosen:

WALTER M. FLEMING, Illustrious Potentate.
CHARLES T. MCCLENACHAN, Chief Rabban.
JOHN A. MOORE, Assistant Rabban.
JAMES S. CHAPPELL, Treasurer.
WILLIAM S. PATERSON, Recorder.
EDWARD EDDY, High Priest and Prophet.
GEORGE W. MILLAR, Oriental Guide.
OSWALD M. D'AUBIGNÉ, Captain of the Guard.

Only seven members, a mere quorum, were present at the next session, held January 12, 1874, in Masonic Hall. Nobles McClenachan, Moore, and Paterson were appointed a committee to revise and perfect the ritual, to facilitate the exemplification of the Order, and to prepare by-laws for the government of the temple.

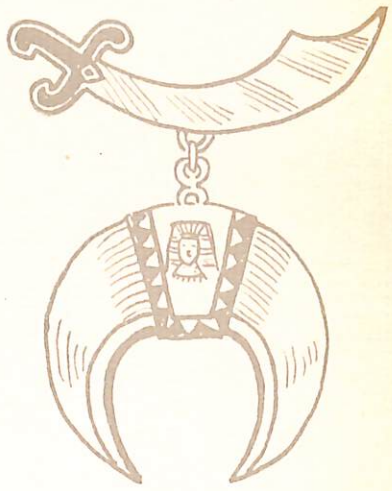
The Order was conferred upon Brother George F. Loder, January 4, 1875, together with seven associates, and they were authorized to form a temple at Rochester, N. Y., under the name of Damascus, with a charter from Mecca Temple. The charter was indorsed by the Imperial Grand Council June 7 of the following year.

At a session held June 1, 1875, Brother Bensen Sherwood was created a Noble of Mecca Temple.

A session was also held at the New Masonic Hall, Twenty-third Street and Sixth Avenue, December 13, 1875, but no important business was transacted.

During the year 1875 Noble Fleming selected a number of prominent Masons of the necessary degree and invested them with the rights and prerogatives of Past Potentates for the purpose of establishing subordinate temples, and they were accredited as members of Mecca Temple until they joined another. The Order was thus conferred upon the following thirty-third degree Masons:

ORRIN C. WELCH, Syracuse, N. Y.
JOHN D. WILLIAMS, Elmira, N. Y.
CHARLES H. THOMSON, Corning, N. Y.
TOWNSEND FONDEY, Albany, N. Y.
JOHN S. DICKERMAN, Albany, N. Y.



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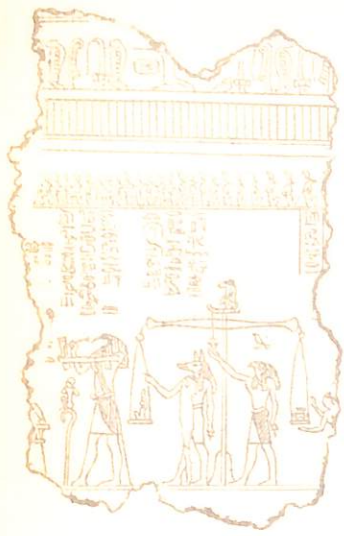


ROBERT H. WATERMAN, Albany, N. Y.
JOHN F. COLLINS, New York City.
JOHN L. STETTINIUS, Cincinnati, Ohio.
VINCENT L. HURLBUT, Chicago, Ill.
SAMUEL HARPER, Pittsburg, Pa.
GEORGE SCOTT, Paterson, N. J.

Nobles Campbell, Chappell, D'Aubigné, and Eddy passed into the Unseen Temple during 1874 and 1875, leaving only nine of the original thirteen charter members to carry on the work. It was now proposed to add a number of Masons to the temple for the advancement of the Order, and afterwards to form and institute a governing body for the jurisdiction, both of which were accomplished at the session held at Masonic Hall, June 6, 1876, when twenty-five Masons were received, obligated, and given the Order of Nobility. This was followed by the formation of the Imperial Council, with which the history will now deal.

FORMATION OF THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL

Pursuant to a call of the Past Potentates and legally constituted Nobles the following named assembled in the Masonic Hall in the city of New York on Nahar et Talata, the sixteenth day of the fifth Arabic month, Jamaz ul Awwal, 1293 A. H. (Tuesday, June 6, 1876 A. D.), at two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of organizing "The Imperial Grand Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for the United States of America":

Noble WALTER M. FLEMING, Grand Potentate of Mecca Temple.
Noble CHARLES T. MCCLENACHAN, Mecca Temple.
Noble GEORGE W. MILLAR, Mecca Temple.
Noble JOHN A. MOORE, Mecca Temple.
Noble WILLIAM S. PATERSON, Mecca Temple.
Noble WILLIAM V. ALEXANDER, Mecca Temple.
Noble JOHN E. BENDIX, Mecca Temple.
Noble EDWIN DU LAURANS, Mecca Temple.
Noble EDWARD M. L. EHLERS, Mecca Temple.
Noble PETER FORRESTER, Mecca Temple.
Noble WILLIAM FOWLER, Mecca Temple.
Noble WILLIAM D. MAY, Mecca Temple.
Noble SIDNEY P. NICHOLS, Mecca Temple.
Noble AARON L. NORTHROP, Mecca Temple.
Noble JAMES A. REED, Mecca Temple.
Noble W. WALLACE WALKER, Mecca Temple.
Noble J. H. HOBART WARD, Mecca Temple.

Noble GEORGE F. LODER, Grand Potentate of Damascus Temple.
Noble SAMUEL R. CARTER, Damascus Temple.
Noble GEORGE SCOTT, Paterson, N. J.

A temple was opened in due form, with Illustrious Walter M. Fleming, Grand Potentate of Mecca Temple, presiding. The following Nobles of Mecca Temple were shown by the roll-call to be absent: William J. Florence, Bensen Sherwood, Philip F. Lenhart, Charles P. Marrat, and Angelo Noziglia.

The Illustrious Grand Potentate announced the decease of the following Nobles, members of the original thirteen who had formed Mecca Temple: Noble Sherwood C. Campbell, in 1874; James S. Chappell, January 3, 1875; Oswald Merle D'Aubigné, January 9, 1875; Edward Eddy, December 18, 1875.

The Imperial Grand Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for the United States of America was then duly organized, and the following were elected for a term of three years:

OFFICERS

Most Illustrious WALTER M. FLEMING, Grand Potentate, New York, N. Y.

Very Illustrious GEORGE F. LODER, Deputy Grand Potentate, Rochester, N. Y.

Illustrious PHILIP F. LENHART, Grand Chief Rabban, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Illustrious EDWARD M. L. EHLERS, Grand Assistant Rabban, New York, N. Y.

Illustrious WILLIAM H. WHITING, Grand High Priest and Prophet, Rochester, N. Y.

Illustrious SAMUEL R. CARTER, Grand Oriental Guide, Rochester, N. Y.

Illustrious AARON L. NORTHROP, Grand Treasurer, New York, N. Y.

Illustrious WILLIAM S. PATERSON, Grand Recorder, New York, N. Y.

Illustrious ALBERT P. MORIARTY, Grand Financial Secretary, New York, N. Y.

Illustrious JOHN L. STETTINIUS, Grand First Ceremonial Master, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Illustrious BENSEN SHERWOOD, Grand Second Ceremonial Master, New York, N. Y.

Illustrious SAMUEL HARPER, Grand Marshal, Pittsburg, Pa.

Illustrious FRANK H. BASCOM, Grand Captain of the Guard, Montpelier, Vt.

Illustrious GEORGE SCOTT, Grand Outer Guard, Paterson, N. J.

By invitation the officers were then installed by Noble Charles T. McClenachan and the Imperial Grand Council was proclaimed duly organized.

A resolution was adopted, offered by Noble Edward M. L. Ehlers,—that the Grand Orient of the Imperial Council shall be in the city of New York.

On motion of Noble George F. Loder it was resolved that power be granted to each subordinate temple, now instituted, to confer the office and grade of Potentate upon five of its members for the purpose of creating Past Potentates for honorary membership in the Imperial Grand Council.

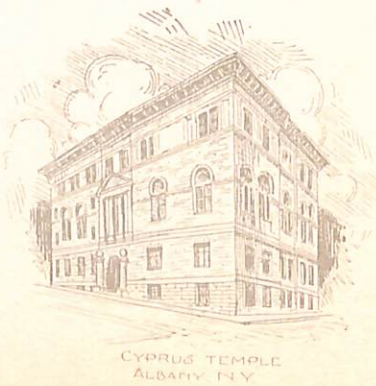
Nobles Charles T. McClenachan, Edward M. L. Ehlers, and J. H. Hobart Ward were appointed a committee for the purpose of drafting statutes and regulations for the government of the Imperial Grand Council, and this committee was also given power to act upon dispensations and charters.

On motion of Noble Edward M. L. Ehlers it was resolved that the fee for a charter to open a subordinate temple shall be fifty dollars, which shall include one copy of the ritual.

The annual dues were fixed at ten dollars a year in lieu of any per capita tax, payable by each subordinate temple under the jurisdiction of the Imperial Grand Council.

It was also decided, upon motion of Noble George W. Millar, that the minimum fee for initiation in subordinate temples should be ten dollars.

The prerequisites for the Order were outlined in the following resolution, offered by Noble George F. Loder and adopted:



"*Resolved*, That the prerequisite for reception into the Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in the United States of America shall be that applicants shall be Knights Templar, according to the requirements of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar for the United States of America, as has prevailed previous to the organization of this Imperial Grand Council."

After further discussion, however, the following amendment, offered by Noble Edward M. L. Ehlers, was adopted:

"*Resolved*, That a Mason of the thirty-second degree, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, be also made a prerequisite for receiving the Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, thus making the prerequisite for receiving the Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine a Knight Templar or a thirty-second degree Mason of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite."

Another resolution, offered by Noble Aaron L. Northrop, was as follows:

"*Resolved*, That this Imperial Grand Council grant its first Charter to Mecca Temple, of the city of New York, N. Y., bearing date of September 26, 1872, it being the first regularly organized temple of the Order in the United States."

This brought to a close the proceedings of the first session of the Imperial Grand Council.

The second annual session of the Imperial Grand Council was held at the Masonic Temple in Albany, N. Y., on Nahar et Talata, the twenty-second day of the first Arabic month, Moharrum, 1294 A. H., corresponding to February 6, 1877 A. D. There were present when the Imperial Grand Council convened at 2 P. M.:

Most Illustrious Walter M. Fleming, Grand Potentate.
Illustrious George F. Loder, Deputy Grand Potentate.
Illustrious Charles H. Thomson, as Grand Chief Rabban.
Illustrious Jesse B. Anthony, as Grand Assistant Rabban.
Illustrious William H. Whiting, Grand High Priest and Prophet.
Illustrious Otis Cole, as Oriental Guide.
Illustrious Joseph M. Levéy, as Grand Treasurer.
Illustrious William S. Paterson, Grand Recorder.
Illustrious Theodore E. Haslehurst, as Grand First Ceremonial Master.
Illustrious Dayton Ball, as Grand Second Ceremonial Master.
Illustrious Robert H. Waterman, as Grand Marshal.
Illustrious William H. Gladding, as Grand Captain of the Guard.
Illustrious Herman H. Russ, as Grand Outer Guard.

There were also present, Illustrious John S. Dickerman, Deputy, of Albany, N. Y.; Illustrious Townsend Fondey, Grand Potentate of Naja Temple; and Illustrious James H. Ten Eyck, Grand Potentate of Cyprus Temple. Visitors present included a large number of Nobles from Damascus, Naja, and Cyprus Temples.

The Imperial Council was opened in ample form, with due invocation and declaration, and on motion of the Grand Recorder it was moved that all members of the Order in good standing be invited to attend the session.

In his address at this session the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate said:

"Since the formation of the Imperial Grand Council, the entire time has been consumed in perfecting the matter necessary to form and open temples. So it will be observed that the Order in this country is comparatively in its incubation or infancy. I think we have every reason to be highly gratified and encouraged with our progress up to the present time. All who have received the Order are evidently exceedingly well pleased with the impressiveness of the ritualistic work and the sublime tenets of the Order. It could, no doubt, be made a most powerful Order, devoted to the welfare of Masonry in this country.

"It has been the design and desire of the Grand Council, as well as the entire membership subordinate, to make it a select Order, uncontaminated with discordant elements and unworthy membership. There should at least be one pure and clean branch of Ancient Craftsmen, select and free from the unappreciative and unworthy. We trust, therefore, that as it is a consummation most devoutly to be wished for, all will proceed with care, caution, and judgment, in regard to whom they honor with admission.

"By observing this sentiment, the Mystic Shrine will rapidly increase in strength, stature, and true popularity as an Order, doubly valuable because of its purity. There should not be an ambition to create fast, and increase the membership rapidly, but to proceed with great caution, to enlist only the faithful and desirable.

"I cannot close without expressing an earnest appreciation of my co-workers in the promulgation of the Order. To Illustrious Noble William J. Florence, Deputy at Large, are we all greatly indebted for his untiring zeal in aiding the perfection of the Order in America.

"Also to Illustrious Noble Charles T. McClenachan, for the able and efficient services rendered in aiding the perfection of the Statutes and Regulations.

"Our praise and thanks are also eminently due (until better remunerated) to Illustrious Noble Albert P. Moriarty, our Financial Secretary, and Illustrious Noble William S. Paterson, Grand Recorder of the Grand Council. To Illustrious Noble Moriarty is due all praise for his valuable services in correspondence, and engrossing diplomas, dispensations, and charters. It is through the unwearied attention and efforts of Illustrious Noble Moriarty and Illustrious Noble Paterson that we have been enabled to accomplish so much for the advancement of the Order in the past few weeks, since the issue of our engraved and printed matter.

"We now have quite a number of temples formed and proceeding to work, and others in preparation. We have several representatives acting as Deputies at Large or Deputies of States. The Deputies at Large are Illustrious Noble William J. Florence, now in San Francisco, Cal.; Illustrious Noble Jonathan J. French, of Chicago, Ill.; and Illustrious Noble John S. Dickerman, of Albany, N. Y. The Deputy for the State of Vermont is Illustrious Noble Frank H. Bascom, of Montpelier. There are also numerous applicants for State Deputyships.

"The Order is assuming a prosperous condition, and we have every reason to be gratified with its progress.

"Mecca Temple, of New York, is not exemplifying the work at present, as the matter was left entirely to one or two others and myself, and my time has been so fully occupied with the duties of Most Illustrious Grand Potentate in promoting the establishment of temples, and the various requirements of the Imperial Grand Council, that it was impossible for me to carry on the work at home in a subordinate temple.

"Owing to the press of business in the hands of the financial secretary, a report cannot be rendered at this time of the exact

financial status of the Grand Council. The treasurer has had no funds thus far, but bills have been met through the financial secretary, as fast as receipts came in. Some of us have personally been called upon to meet a number of urgent debts against the Grand Council.

"By estimating an approximation to our financial status, I might say, perhaps, that the Grand Council is indebted at this time to the amount of three to five hundred dollars, which can soon be met, as dispensations are granted, diplomas issued, and dues paid in. A year hence we should be upon a firm foundation, progressing finely, with an exchequer of no small proportions."

Noble John S. Dickerman reported as Deputy at Large for Albany, that he had conferred the Order on a number of brethren of Troy to constitute Oriental Temple, of which Illustrious Noble Jesse B. Anthony was made the Grand Potentate.

Noble Townsend Fondey presented a grievance from Naja Temple, of Albany, in that a dispensation had been granted to Cyprus Temple, of Albany, without the cognizance of the former temple. This subject formed a matter of considerable debate, and the claims of both sides were fully aired. It was finally decided by the Imperial Council, upon motion of Noble Townsend Fondey, that the charter of Naja Temple be returned and a charter granted to Cyprus Temple.

On motion of Noble William H. Gladding a charter was granted to Damascus Temple, of Rochester, N. Y., to bear date of June 6, 1875, it having been organized under dispensation issued February 8, 1875.

ACTIVE MEMBERS CREATED

The Imperial Council then went into executive session, at which the following Nobles were proposed and elected to active membership in the Imperial Grand Council:

Noble Dayton Ball, Albany, N. Y.
Noble John S. Dickerman, Albany, N. Y.
Noble Townsend Fondey, Albany, N. Y.
Noble Erasmus D. Jones, Albany, N. Y.
Noble James H. Ten Eyck, Albany, N. Y.
Noble Robert H. Waterman, Albany, N. Y.
Noble Clinton F. Paige, Binghamton, N. Y.
Noble Charles H. Thomson, Corning, N. Y.
Noble John D. Williams, Elmira, N. Y.
Noble William J. Florence, New York City.
Noble Charles T. McClenachan, New York City.
Noble George W. Millar, New York City.
Noble John W. Simons, New York City.
Noble Orrin C. Welch, Syracuse, N. Y.
Noble Jesse B. Anthony, Troy, N. Y.
Noble Edward B. Cox, Troy, N. Y.

The newly elected members were then raised to the dignity of Past Potentate and constituted active members of the Imperial Council, bringing the membership up to fifty.

By vote of the Imperial Grand Council the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate was empowered to grant charters, in his discretion. Various standing committees were named by the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate to assist him in the duties of his office and the work of the Order.

The Committee on Statutes reported the following statutes and regulations of the Order, which were unanimously adopted:

STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

ARTICLE I

OF THE IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

Section 1. The Imperial governing body of the Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine shall be styled "The Imperial Grand Council for the United States of America," and shall consist of thirteen officers, who shall be designated and take rank as herein mentioned; and who shall be elected by ballot at the Triennial Assembly, holding their offices until their successors are elected and installed:

1. The Most Illustrious Grand Potentate.
2. The Very Illustrious Deputy Grand Potentate.
3. The Illustrious Grand Chief Rabban.
4. The Illustrious Grand Assistant Rabban.
5. The Illustrious Grand High Priest and Prophet.
6. The Illustrious Grand Oriental Guide.
7. The Illustrious Grand Treasurer.
8. The Illustrious Grand Recorder.
9. The Illustrious Grand First Ceremonial Master.
10. The Illustrious Grand Second Ceremonial Master, or Standard Bearer.
11. The Illustrious Grand Marshal.
12. The Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guard.
13. The Illustrious Grand Outer Guard.

And twenty additional Illustrious Grand Potentates, who shall remain subscribing members of temples working under the authority of this Imperial Grand Council, and they shall be styled *Active Members*.

The officers shall be elected by a majority vote to fill such positions. The officers and members herein above mentioned shall alone be recipients of per diem and mileage when in attendance at the sessions of the Imperial Grand Council.

All Past Potentates who are contributing members of subordinate temples shall be *Associate Members* of the Imperial Grand Council, entitled to a seat in the Council, but not a vote, unless duly elected to such authority by unanimous vote of the Council, and then only for the triennial term.

Section 2. Each of the thirty-three officers and Potentates first above enumerated, elected by State Grand Councils, as hereinafter provided, shall be entitled, when present, to one vote in all the proceedings of the Imperial Grand Council; except the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate, who, in case of a tie, may give the casting vote. The Illustrious Grand Potentates shall be elected for three years.

Every subordinate temple, in regular session, shall, within six months of the triennial meeting for the election of officers of the Imperial Grand Council, elect three delegates to meet in a State Grand Council within three months of the said session of the Imperial Grand Council, when, upon organization, they shall immediately proceed, elect, and enthrone the State pro rata of Potentates to serve in the Imperial Grand Council for the succeeding three years.

Section 3. Any officer or active member of this Imperial Grand Council who shall remove and reside permanently out of its jurisdiction; be suspended or expelled by a subordinate temple; or found guilty of a criminal offense by any State court of justice, shall thereby have vacated his office.

POWERS

Section 4. The Imperial Grand Council being the supreme authority, its decisions on all questions appertaining to the Order shall be final. It shall have the exclusive right to control all the subordinate temples of the Order within the jurisdiction of the United States. It has power to enact laws, statutes, and regulations; to issue edicts; to amend or repeal the same; to grant dispensations and charters for holding temples of the Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine within this jurisdiction; to amend or revoke the same.

It may censure, suspend, and erase temples; try, discipline, suspend, or expel its members for violation and disobedience of its laws, rules, regulations, or edicts.

To fill vacancies created under Section 3 of this Article for the balance of the triennial term, by a majority vote, at a stated or special session; but such vacancy shall be filled by election from the State in which the vacancy was created.

INDIA TEMPLE
OKLAHOMA, CITY

To promulgate the ritual; decide all appeals from its subordinates or their members; and do all lawful acts to promote the general interest of the Order.

OF SESSIONS

SECTION 5. The stated sessions of this Imperial Grand Council shall be held annually, in each calendar year, at such time and place as may have been decided at a previous session, and its elections shall be held at each triennial session.

SECTION 6. The Most Illustrious Grand Potentate shall have power to call special sessions in any emergency, at any time and place in his discretion, due notice being given to each subordinate temple, and each member of this Imperial Grand Council, stating the business to be considered; and no other business, save that specified in the call or summons, shall be transacted.

COMMITTEES

SECTION 7. The following standing committees, of three members each, shall be appointed by the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate, who shall examine and report to the Council upon the several matters referred to them:

On the Transactions of the Grand Officers; on Dispensations and Charters; on Finance and Accounts; on Grievances and Appeals; on Jurisprudence and Laws; on Mileage and Pay of Representatives.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

SECTION 8. The election for officers shall be held at such time during the triennial session as may be determined by the Imperial Grand Council.

VOW OF OFFICE

SECTION 9. The officers of this Imperial Grand Council, and of every subordinate temple in this jurisdiction, before they enter upon the exercise of their respective duties, shall take the following obligation, viz.: "I, ———, do solemnly promise and vow that I will faithfully, and to the best of my ability, discharge the duties of the office to which I have been elected, and that I will strictly conform to the requirements of the statutes, edicts, and regulations of the Imperial Grand Council of the United States."

DECISION OF QUESTIONS

SECTION 10. All questions shall be decided by a majority of votes, except alterations of these statutes, as hereinafter provided for.

GRAND POTENTATE—POWERS AND DUTIES

SECTION 11. The Most Illustrious Grand Potentate shall be elected for the term of three years, and may be re-elected.

He shall preside over all stated and special sessions in this jurisdiction at which he is present, exercise a watchful supervision over all the subordinate temples, and see that the constitutional enactments, edicts, and regulations of this Imperial Grand Council are duly and promptly observed. The Very Illustrious Deputy Grand Potentate, in the event of the death, removal, or physical disability of the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate, shall act, with full power, in his place and stead, until the disqualification is removed. At all other times he shall perform such duties as may be designated by his superior.

The Illustrious Chief Rabban and Illustrious Assistant Rabban, in the absence of their superiors, shall severally and respectively assume the responsibilities and discharge the duties of their said superior officers, according to rank. At all other times they shall discharge the duties traditionally appropriated to their respective stations.

OF DISPENSATIONS FOR TEMPLES

SECTION 12. The Most Illustrious Grand Potentate shall have power, during the recess, to grant letters of dispensation to seven or more petitioners, properly recommended, possessing the constitutional qualifications, empowering them to form and open a temple of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. This dispensation shall cease at the next annual session of the Imperial Grand Council, or be continued, recalled, or a charter granted by order of the Imperial Grand Council.

SECTION 13. No dispensation shall be issued unless the petition shall be recommended by the nearest temple of the Order, and the petitioners give satisfactory evidence of good standing, of a suitable place of meeting, of possessing or having the ability to procure proper furniture and paraphernalia for the use of the temple, and of being competent to conduct intelligently the ceremonies, work, and government thereof.

SECTION 14. The Most Illustrious Grand Potentate may confer the Order "at sight," but only for the purpose of organizing new temples under dispensation, and the fees thereof shall be returned to this Imperial Grand Council, and the minimum fee in such cases shall be five dollars for each member.

The pro rata of Illustrious Grand Potentates, for each State, shall be designated by edict of this Imperial Grand Council.

OF THE GRAND TREASURER

SECTION 15. It is the duty of the Illustrious Grand Treasurer to attend all sessions of the Imperial Grand Council, with the books and papers of his office; receive all moneys from the Illustrious Grand Recorder, giving his receipt therefor. He shall pay all orders authorized to be drawn on him by the Imperial Grand Council; and, before entering upon the duties of his office, give his bond to the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate in the sum of one thousand dollars; and shall, at each annual session, render a correct account of his receipts and disbursements; and, at the expiration of his term of office, he shall deliver to his successor all moneys, books, papers, or other property that may be in his possession, or under his control, as Grand Treasurer.

OF THE GRAND RECORDER

SECTION 16. The Illustrious Grand Recorder shall attend all sessions of the Imperial Grand Council, and keep a true record of the proceedings of the same, proper to be written, and all dispensations and charters issued by its authority. He shall collect all revenue due the Imperial Grand Council, and pay the same to the Illustrious Grand Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor.

He shall make an annual report of his accounts, and also the returns of all subordinate temples, showing the present and past officers and members of each; also the admissions, rejections, suspensions, expulsions, resignations, and deaths. He shall have his books, papers, and accounts present at the opening of each annual session, prepared for examination by the Finance Committee; shall have in custody the official seal of the Imperial Grand Council, and affix it to all official communications; notify the members of the Imperial Grand Council of the annual and special sessions, and perform such other duties, appertaining to his office, as may be required; and at the expiration of his term of office, deliver to his successor all books, papers, or other property in his possession, belonging to the Imperial Grand Council.

OF THE REMAINING OFFICERS

SECTION 17. The remaining officers are to perform such duties as are appropriate to their several stations, or as may be assigned to them by the Imperial Grand Council of the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate.

OF COMMITTEES

Transactions of the Grand Officers

I. They shall have charge of all the reports of the Grand Officers, with the documents referred to, and report, by resolution or otherwise, what action should be taken, if any, by the Imperial Grand Council.

Charters and Dispensations

II. They shall particularly examine the work and records of the temples, under dispensation or charter, and report to the Imperial Grand Council such action as they shall deem proper.

Finance

III. It shall be their duty to examine the books and vouchers of the Illustrious Grand Treasurer and Illustrious Grand Recorder, settle and balance the same, and report to the Imperial Grand Council the actual condition of the finances. All applications for a remission of fees and dues by subordinate temples shall be referred to this committee, who shall report thereon to the Imperial Grand Council.

Grievances and Appeals

IV. All matters of controversy and grievance brought before the Imperial Grand Council shall be referred to this committee, whose duty it shall be to examine into the same, and report the action thereon to the Imperial Grand Council.

Jurisprudence and Laws

V. To them shall be referred all propositions to revise, alter, or amend the statutes, edicts, and regulations of the Imperial Grand

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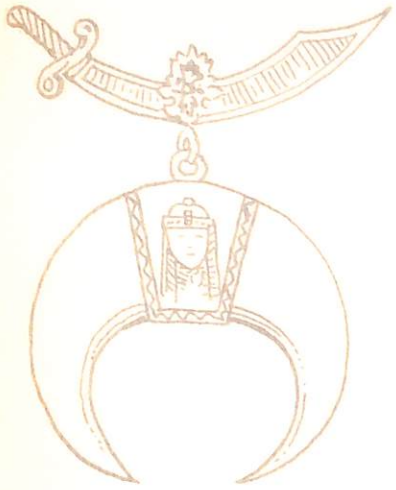


Council, as well as all other matters on questions of law or usage, and they shall report thereon, in writing, to the Imperial Grand Council.

FEES AND REVENUE

SECTION 18. The revenue of the Imperial Grand Council shall be derived from the following sources:

For every dispensation to form and open a temple, which shall include the charter, if afterward granted, fifty dollars ($50). For every Knight receiving the Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine shall be paid two dollars ($2), (which includes a diploma of the Imperial Grand Council), which shall be forwarded immediately to the Illustrious Grand Recorder, who shall forthwith issue a diploma of the Imperial Grand Council. For each subordinate temple chartered, ten dollars ($10) per annum, and no per capita tax shall be levied by the Grand Body.

OF THE RITUAL

SECTION 19. The ritual, as promulgated by the Imperial Grand Council for the use of the Order in this jurisdiction of the United States, shall be adopted uniformly by every temple, and no alterations or additions shall be made in the ritual, except by authority of the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate of the Imperial Grand Council, and any departure therefrom will be regarded as an indignity to the same.

ON REGALIA

SECTION 20. The badges, jewels, and uniform for each office in this Order, as promulgated by the Imperial Grand Council in the ritual and statutes, shall be strictly adhered to, and any variation therefrom will be a violation of these statutes.

EMBLEMS, JEWELS, AND COSTUMES

The emblems for altar drapery, Tomb, Banners, and Decorations, are the Pyramid, the Sphinx, the Crescent, and the Urn. In mourning drapery, the combination is the Sun with Rays, Moon and Stars.

Jewels: First, a Crescent charm, the original and universal emblem, formed by two nails or claws of a tiger, united at the base with gold band, and a ring to suspend it, forming a Crescent, emblematic of strength and fury, to be hung points downward (the Crescent may be made of silver, gold, pearl, or any material fancied by the owner). *The Sphinx Head, the Panther-bodied Female Sphinx, the Pyramid, the Urn, etc., are characteristic jewels of the Order.*

COSTUMES AND JEWELS OF THE OFFICERS

(May be made plain or expensive, as desired)

GRAND POTENTATE.— (Velvet) Purple Robe or Domino, flowing sleeves, trimmed with yellow or gold braid, yellow or gold-cloth Sash; high purple and yellow silk or satin Turban, with Crescent gold and jeweled. Jeweled Scepter with Crescent at top.

Jewel of Office.— Pyramid, with large gold-surfaced Sun with Rays, and a Frowning Face or Visage in the Sun, suspended from the left breast.

CHIEF RABBAN.— (Velvet) Bright Green Robe or Domino, full flowing sleeves, trimmed with purple, and broad purple Sash; green and purple Turban with Crescent at front.

Jewel of Office.— Pyramid, with Silver Moon, faced, suspended from left breast.

ASSISTANT RABBAN.— (Velvet) Blue Robe or Domino, large flowing sleeves, trimmed with orange, broad orange Sash, blue and orange Turban, with Crescent at top.

Jewel of Office.— A Gold-faced Pyramid, covered with Silver Stars.

MOST HIGH PRIEST AND PROPHET.— Robe, made of woven metal cloth, gilt, silver, and colored, like damask; flowing sleeves, and fringed, broad, gold and yellow woven metal cloth Sash; tall, white Turban, crown-shaped, yellow, gold, and black jeweled, and carries a Crosier.

Jewel of Office.— Large gold form of Book, or Scroll, with Pyramid on one page, in silver, and Crescent on the other; suspended about the neck, hanging in front on the breast.

ORIENTAL GUIDE.— (Velvet) Orange Robe or Domino, trimmed with purple; broad purple Sash, Belt and Sword. Orange and purple Turban, Crescent in front; carries long Arab Staff or Spear, trimmed at spearhead with orange and purple ribbons.

Jewel of Office.— Pyramid, with gold-surfaced, panther-bodied, Female-headed Sphinx; suspended from left breast.

TREASURER.— Brown or snuff-colored Robe or Domino, trimmed with purple; Turban, same material.

Jewel of Office.— Gold-surfaced Pyramid, with two Silver Keys on face; suspended from left breast.

RECORDER.— Light Brown Robe or Domino, trimmed with green; Turban, same material.

Jewel of Office.— Gold-surfaced Pyramid, with two Silver Quill Pens on face; suspended from left breast.

FIRST CEREMONIAL MASTER.— Light Gray Robe or Domino, flowing sleeves, trimmed with black; Turban, same material; Sash, Belt, Sword, and Spear.

Jewel of Office.— Pyramid, with a pair of Crossed Silver Spears suspended from left breast.

SECOND CEREMONIAL MASTER, OR STANDARD BEARER.— Dark Gray Robe or Domino, flowing sleeves, all trimmed with blue; Turban, same material; Sash, Belt, and Sword.

Jewel of Office.— Pyramid, with two Silver Guidon Banners, or Flags, on Staff, suspended from left breast; also carries Spear.

MARSHAL.— White Robe or Domino, trimmed with orange, flowing sleeves, orange Sash, and carries a Baton, or Rod of Direction; Turban, white, orange, and gold-bound.

Jewel of Office.— A Pyramid, with a gold Sphinx Head, with large Crescent, with base on top of head, and points up; suspended from left breast.

CAPTAIN OF THE GUARD.— Dark Green Robe or Domino, flowing sleeves, trimmed with yellow; Turban, same material; yellow Sash; Belt and Sword.

Jewel of Office.— Pyramid, with two Silver Crossed Scimiters; suspended from left breast.

OUTER GUARD.— Dark Blue Robe or Domino, trimmed with purple; Turban, same material; purple Sash; Belt and Sword.

Jewel of Office.— Pyramid, with one Silver Scimiter; suspended from left breast.

Costumes for additional inside officers and members for secret work will be found in the ritual.

ENTHRONEMENT

SECTION 21. Previous to the enthronement of a Potentate elect, the Imperial Grand Council requires his assent to the following Ordinances, viz.:

First. Do you solemnly vow upon your honor, that you will exert your best endeavors to promote the true happiness of your brother Nobles of the Mystic Shrine?

Second. That you will endeavor to promote the general good of the Order, and preserve the solemnity of our ceremonies with profound respect and reverence?

Third. That you will not acknowledge or have intercourse with any temple that does not work under constitutional authority as recognized by the Imperial Grand Council?

Fourth. That you will ever maintain and support the authority of the Imperial Grand Council for the United States, and enforce obedience to its statutes, edicts, and regulations?

Do you submit to all these ordinances, and promise to observe and practice them faithfully?

ARTICLE II

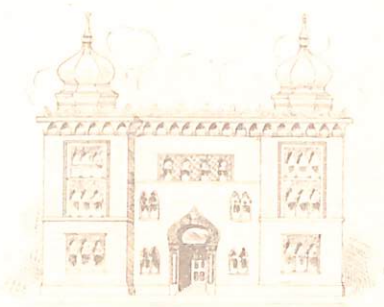
SUBORDINATE TEMPLES — HOW CONSTITUTED

SECTION 1. All regular subordinate bodies of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine are termed temples, and shall consist of the following officers:

1. Illustrious Grand Potentate.
2. Illustrious Chief Rabban.
3. Illustrious Assistant Rabban.
4. Illustrious High Priest and Prophet.
5. Illustrious Oriental Guide.
6. Illustrious Treasurer.
7. Illustrious Recorder.
8. Illustrious First Ceremonial Master.
9. Illustrious Second Ceremonial Master, or Standard Bearer.
10. Illustrious Marshal.
11. Captain of the Guard.
12. Outer Guard.

And as many members as the temple may admit.

The first seven officers shall be elected annually by ballot. The



remaining officers shall be appointed by the Illustrious Grand Potentate.

SECTION 2. The Illustrious Grand Potentate is specially charged to see that the by-laws of his temple are duly observed, as well as the Constitutions, Statutes, and Regulations of the Imperial Grand Council; that accurate records are kept and just accounts rendered; that regular returns are made to the Imperial Grand Council, and that the annual dues are promptly paid; that not less than two sessions are held annually, of which one shall be held in December.

SECTION 3. The fee for the Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine shall not be less than ten dollars.

SECTION 4. No application for the Order shall be received, unless the applicant is a regular Knight Templar, according to the requirements of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar for the United States of America, or a thirty-second degree Mason of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite.

SECTION 5. The duties of the officers of the temple shall be those assigned to them in the ritual, and as traditionally appropriated to them respectively, as also those defined in the statutes.

SECTION 6. If, upon the balloting for a candidate, subsequent to a favorable report, a black ball shall appear, another ballot shall immediately be had, but no more; upon the appearance of a black ball a second time, the candidate shall be declared rejected, and disqualified from making a second application for thirteen weeks.

Special sessions may be called by the Grand Potentate, but no business can be transacted save that specified in the call. At special sessions no petitions for the Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, or affiliations, can be received; nor can the ballot be spread for candidates; nor can the funds of the temple be voted away.

All questions shall be determined by a majority of votes. Should there be a tie, the presiding officer may give the casting vote.

No appeal shall lie to the session from the decision of the Potentate.

SECTION 7. Every temple formed in this jurisdiction shall select an ancient Arabic or Egyptian name, according to the ancient laws of the Order. List of names will be found in the ritual from which to select.

SECTION 8. Every temple in this jurisdiction shall have a seal, giving the name thereof, an impression of which shall be deposited with the Illustrious Grand Recorder.

MEMBERS

SECTION 9. Membership may be terminated by voluntary dimission, on payment of all indebtedness to the temple; or by expulsion, after due trial, and a vote of three-fourths of the members present when the vote is taken.

SECTION 10. Membership is suspended by a member uniting in the formation of a temple under dispensation, and dissolved by the granting of a charter to the new temple, unless the member gives notice in writing, or personally in open session, at or before the surrender of the dispensation, of his intention to resume his former membership. A member can be in active membership in but one temple at the same time.

Honorary membership can be conferred by subordinate temples upon any member of this Order, by a majority vote, as a compliment; but such membership confers no rights or privileges.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

SECTION 11. Each temple shall hold its annual election at the first stated session in December, and the installation of officers shall take place on the first succeeding session.

SECTION 12. Every subordinate temple shall, on or before the 15th day of January in each year, transmit to the Illustrious Grand Recorder, in such form as shall be furnished, its annual return, accompanied by the dues to the Imperial Grand Council, viz., ten dollars ($10) annual payment to the Grand Body.

Any temple neglecting or refusing to make its annual returns on or before January 15, accompanied by fees and dues, shall be notified thereof; and if, after three months' notice, it fail to fully comply, it shall be suspended until restored by a vote of the Imperial Grand Council.

SECTION 13. When a temple is disbanded or dissolved by neglecting to make its returns, or pay its dues, or by improper conduct, or by death or resignation of its members, it shall be the duty of the last Illustrious Grand Potentate, Treasurer, and Recorder, within three months after its dissolution, to surrender to the Grand Recorder the warrant, books, papers, jewels, furniture, and funds of such temple, together with an inventory thereof. No Knight of such temple shall be admitted into any other temple, nor entitled to the benefits of the Brotherhood, until he shall have paid to the Illustrious Grand Recorder all his arrears.

SECTION 14. The suspension or expulsion of a Knight Templar in his Commandery, or a thirty-second S. P. R. S. in his Consistory shall, *ipso facto*, cause his suspension or expulsion from his temple in this Order. His reinstatement by the Commandery or Consistory restores him to his previous standing in this Order.

AMENDMENTS

SECTION 15. Proposed alterations or amendments to these Statutes shall be in writing, and referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, who shall report at the next Annual Assembly, and it shall require a vote of two-thirds of the members present to adopt the same.

THIRD SESSION OF IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

The third session of the Imperial Grand Council was held in the Masonic Temple, New York, on Leylet el Khamis, the fourth day of the second Arabic month, Safar, 1295 A. H., answering to Wednesday, February 6, 1878 A. D., at 8 o'clock P. M.

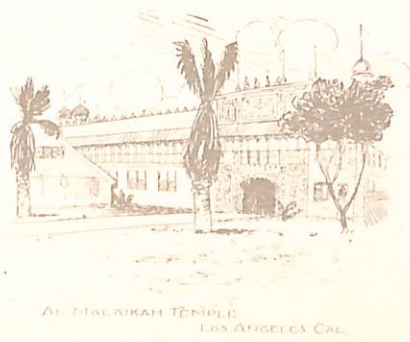
After the opening of the session in ample form, with due invocation and declaration, the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate reported that during the year a charter had been granted to Oriental Temple of Troy, N. Y., and that it was in a flourishing condition. Dispensations were also issued to form Mohammed Temple of New Haven, Conn.; to form Pyramid Temple of Bridgeport, Conn.; to form Syria Temple of Pittsburg, Pa., and to form Ziyara Temple of Utica, N. Y. Many inquiries had been made throughout the United States in relation to the Order, and the Most Illustrious Potentate reported the prospects favorable for its prosperity.

FOURTH SESSION OF IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

Masonic Temple, Albany, N. Y., was the scene of the session of the Imperial Grand Council on Nahar el Khamis, the twelfth day of the second Arabic month, Safar, 1296 A. H., answering to Wednesday, February 5, 1879 A. D. The work of the year was reviewed in the address of the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate, interesting parts of which are here quoted:

"Little has evidently been achieved, either in our financial status or the perfection of our work. Still, however, embarrassed as it may now appear, we should not despair, as it is the universal and inevitable result of the calamitous apathy of all branches of business, even where men devote almost their entire time to promote its prosperity and success, and too often without a continued existence of the daily calling in which they may be engaged. Consequently, all the associations of alliance have more or less keenly felt the depressing influence thus accruing from a world's embarrassment in all its resources and interests. We must therefore calmly accept the situation, in common with the masses, and remember that, if such a large representation of allianced bodies, and of such age and strength as many we could name, even under deeper depression than this Institution, many of which have been compelled to succumb to the decimating influences of the present stringent time, and those who survive, are still suffering from lack of interest in their membership, and, consequently, empty coffers, we should at least feel thankful that we still exist, and not without prospect of a speedy success and a growing popularity.

ALGERIA TEMPLE
HELENA MONTANA



AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE
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"The crisis of the almost paralyzed commerce of the world, we trust, has passed, and we may now hopefully look for a revival in all branches, and a wholesome return to prosperity and plenty. And we even now have every reason to believe that the success and advancement of the Order of the Shrine will be numbered among the first to make rapid strides toward perfect position, and there stand second to none in the country."

The Most Illustrious Grand Potentate then paid tribute to the fraternal dead, whose names included Illustrious Brothers Oswald Merle D'Aubigné, 32°; Edward Eddy, 33°; S. C. Campbell, 32°, J. S. Chappell, 32°; John A. Moore, 32°; Eugene B. Fairchild, 32°; Orrin Welch, 33°.

Taking up the matter of charters and dispensations the Most Illustrious Potentate said:

"As there has been no detailed report submitted to this Imperial Grand Council during its brief existence, perhaps it would be most proper to give, at this time, an entire recapitulation of all that transpired under this head since the formation of this Imperial Grand Council.

"The first subordinate temple was authorized in the city of New York, known under the name of Mecca Temple.

"Second, Damascus Temple, in the city of Rochester, N. Y.
"Third, Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.
"Fourth, Mt. Sinai Temple, Montpelier, Vt.
"Fifth, Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio.
"Sixth, Cyprus Temple, Albany, N. Y.
"Seventh, Naja Temple, Albany, N. Y.
"Eighth, Oriental Temple, Troy, N. Y.
"Ninth, Mohammed Temple, New Haven, Conn.
"Tenth, Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn.
"Eleventh, Syria Temple, Pittsburg, Pa.
"Twelfth, Ziyara Temple, Utica, N. Y.
"Thirteenth, Medina Temple, Atchison, Kan.
"Fourteenth, Pyramid Temple, Davenport, Iowa.

"These temples have each been duly organized under dispensation, and nearly all have been duly chartered. There have been several applications for dispensations, which were not granted, in consequence of non-compliance with some one or more requirements of the Statutes and Regulations. Therefore, negotiations were closed until such time as the Imperial Grand Council should hold its annual session, and dispose of the applications under constitutional authority. . . .

"Many of these temples, whose jurisdiction lies far distant from our Grand East, or Oriental Center, have been created by 'Letters Patent,' that being the only means whereby our distant Brethren could consistently obtain authority for inaugurating their work. This process has necessarily subjected your presiding officer to the issuing of an endless succession of communications of instructions, directions, and advices, in order to satisfy all demands and answer all inquiries."

ARARAT TEMPLE
KANSAS CITY, MO.

ALTERATIONS OF RITUAL

"In the primary stage of our adoption of the ritual," said Dr. Fleming in another part of his address, "much care was necessary to apply it acceptably to modern, and particularly American, institutions and their requirements. This was agreeably accomplished, but after more mature experience in the work, we find still many improvements suggest themselves, and readily conceive the feasibility of rendering the esoteric work far more consistent, and thereby more impressive to an 'Anglo-Saxon' mind. Such alterations as are deemed advisable have already been marked out by your Committee on Ritual, and I would respectfully commend the ritual as amended to your indorsement, after being submitted to your inspection, or intrust it to the care of same committee, with power of presenting it as the authentic and constitutionally adopted work, their experience having been such as to ably qualify them for the issue of a most desirable, consistent, and meritorious conception of the requirement.

"I would also suggest the propriety and expediency of issuing a revised copy of the history of the Order, for the advancement of the interests of the Institution."

The Most Illustrious Grand Potentate reported with reference to the unfortunate misunderstanding between the two subordinate bodies in Albany in regard to the propriety of their existence, and it was happily settled by Naja Temple voluntarily relinquishing the field to Cyprus Temple.

The question of jurisdiction of temples was discussed at this session, and Noble Sam Briggs offered this resolution:

"*Resolved*, That the jurisdiction of a subordinate temple shall include no more than the territory under the jurisdiction of two adjacent commanderies of Knights Templar, of distinct and separate jurisdictions, or the territory under the cognizance of a body of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite."

This resolution was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws.

At an executive session of the Imperial Grand Council, the following Nobles were proposed for active membership, and the vote being favorable, they were duly raised to the dignity of Past Potentates and the executive session was closed:

Noble Frank W. Angel, Davenport, Iowa.
Noble Brenton D Babcock, Cleveland, Ohio.
Noble Sam Briggs, Cleveland, Ohio.
Noble William Fowler, New York City.
Noble Frazier W. Hurlburt, Utica, N. Y.

The resignations of the following active members were received, as they were unable to perform their duties as officers of the Imperial Grand Council:

Noble Philip F. Lenhart, Grand Chief Rabban.
Noble John L. Stettinius, Grand First Ceremonial Master.
Noble Bensen Sherwood, Grand Second Ceremonial Master.
Noble Frank H. Bascom, Grand Captain of the Guard.
Noble George Scott, Grand Outer Guard.

The election of Nobles to the vacancies followed, and the divan was completed and installed. The officers chosen were:

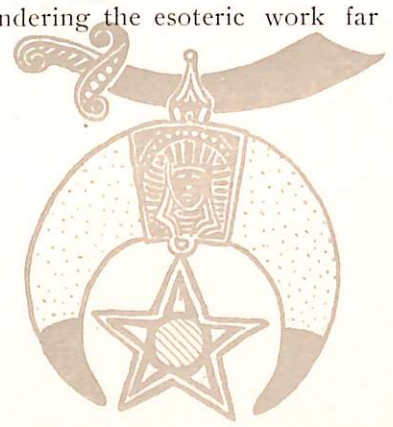
Noble Edward M. L. Ehlers, Grand Chief Rabban.
Noble Sam Briggs, Grand Assistant Rabban.
Noble Brenton D. Babcock, Grand First Ceremonial Master.
Noble William Fowler, Grand Second Ceremonial Master.
Noble Frazier W. Hurlburt, Grand Captain of the Guard.
Noble Frank W. Angel, Grand Outer Guard.

STRENGTH OF THE ORDER

The report of the Illustrious Grand Recorder gave the following interesting information:

Number of active members February 6, 1877	30
Number died	1
Number resigned at this session	5

EL RIAD TEMPLE
SIOUX FALLS S.D.



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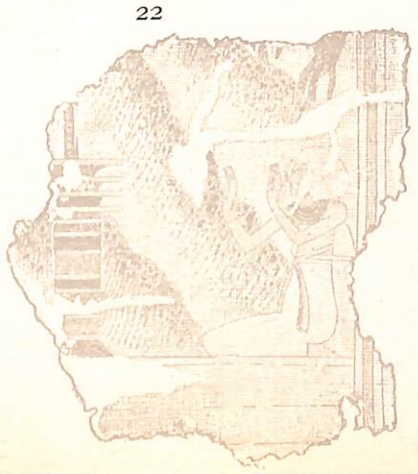


Number of active members elected at this session	6
Total number of active members to date	30
Number of deputies	13
Number of temples to date	13

Following is the membership of the temples to December 31, 1878:

Al Koran, Cleveland	35
Cyprus, Albany	36
Damascus, Rochester	154
Mecca, New York	69
Medina, Atchison	10
Mohammed, New Haven	10
Mount Sinai, Montpelier	13
Oriental, Troy	12
Pyramid, Bridgeport	12
Pyramid, Davenport	16
Syria, Pittsburg	37
Syrian, Cincinnati	9
Ziyara, Utica	12
Total	425

FIFTH SESSION OF IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

The fifth session of the Imperial Council met in the Masonic Temple, in Albany, on Nahar el Khamis, the twenty-second day of the second Arabic month, Safar, 1297 A. H., answering to Wednesday, February 4, 1880, A. D.

The annual address of the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate contained a review of the progress since the last session and included these paragraphs:

"Although many of the subordinate temples still remain inactive, and confer the three sections of our Order by communication, I am gratified to state that some, far more energetic and active than their sister temples, are fully and completely equipped with costumes, regalia, paraphernalia, and all the requisite mechanism for the full exemplification of the ceremonies in all its detail, and are conferring the Order in commendable and impressive form, which, with the appropriate music, impress all who have witnessed it most favorably, and the liveliest interest is manifested, and the roll of applications for membership comprises a list of such magnitude as to palpably attest the favor with which it is received.

"The attendance is invariably very large, the work finely rendered, and the manifest appreciation of the same is evident from the rapidly increasing membership and the unlimited praises of all who enter our portals. And if the subordinate temples, which are now in comparative apathy, would but proceed to equip and exemplify the Order as provided in our ritual, a prompt and speedy interest and enthusiasm would occur, unsurpassed by the rendition of this work in any Order extant.

"The popularity which it has already achieved, and which it undoubtedly merits, would continue to establish itself, and the Mystic Shrine would stand second to none in strength and stature, that would defy the innovation of time and the storms of persecution.

"The proper rendition of the work, comprising, as it does, the most impressive ceremonies and beautiful music, cannot fail to enlist the fullest appreciation of all who witness it, thereby awakening a zealous interest in the rite. And the day is not far distant when the name of the Shrine will be hailed with favor and commendation, the length and breadth of our land."

TRIBUTE TO AL KORAN

"Our Brother Nobles of Al Koran Temple, of the city of Cleveland, Ohio, deserve particular compliment and honorable mention, as being foremost in elaborate equipment and faultless rendition of the ceremonials of our Order. It was this temple which gave impetus and encouragement to our work, and no effort nor expense has been spared by them to do full justice to the entire ritualistic details provided by the Imperial Grand Council; ever adhering to all the requirements of our Statutes and Regulations, in each and every particular, together with their far-famed exemplification of the Order, with their valuable acquisitions to the same in the way of music and scenic effects; and last, but by no means least, their sumptuous and unlimited hospitality have placed them *first* in our ranks, as the parent temple of all the subordinate bodies. I regard them, therefore, as most worthy the congratulations, praise, and recognition of this Imperial Grand Council, for their unwearied zeal in bringing their work to such perfection.

"I therefore respectfully commend to the favorable expression of this Council, Illustrious Noble Sam Briggs, and his cohort of efficient officers, for their devotion to the welfare and best interests of the Order."

MECCA TEMPLE AWAKES FROM LETHARGY

"The work rendered in Al Koran Temple has proven an incentive to promote the equipment and rendition of the ceremonies in other temples; and I am gratified to be able to report that Mecca Temple, of the city of New York is now exemplifying the work in full Arabic costume, and all the prescribed paraphernalia, with the perfect and requisite mechanism and scenes. The official corps have proven themselves equal to all the requirements of the ritual, and the entire success of the body is an established fact.

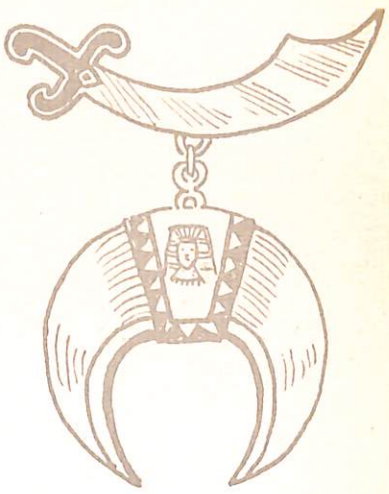
"This Temple has, within the last month, conferred the Order in full upon nearly one hundred candidates; and the liveliest interest is manifested in the ceremonies, not only by the membership of the Temple itself, but constant inquiries and propositions from novices are pouring in upon us, and the prospect of work, far into the summer coming, is brightening on all sides."

The Most Illustrious Grand Potentate exhorted the Nobles having the constitutional authority to devote their time to the awakening of an interest in the Order, and cited this instance of how Mecca was brought from stagnation into activity:

"Mecca Temple, of New York, commenced their studies and equipment in December last. The officers at once mastered the ritual, and every requirement prepared for the work, in perfect order, the first week in January. Two rehearsals were held, and on Friday, January 9, the Order was exemplified in full form, and again on Friday, January 23; and the pecuniary obligations of the temple, assumed for all equipment, amounting to several hundred dollars, liquidated from the receipts of these two sessions, although the Order was conferred at the minimum fee of ten dollars.

"The body now stands fully, substantially, and beautifully equipped, free from the embarrassments of debt, and the list of candidates continues to increase, promising as large an acquisition to our numbers as at each preceding session.

"The most enthusiastic interest prevails, and the Mystic Shrine is a feature in the metropolis. The press have published



KOSAIR TEMPLE
LOUISVILLE, KY.

EL DJEBEL TEMPLE
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MEDINAH TEMPLE
CHICAGO, ILL

ABBA TEMPLE
MOBILE, ALA.

EL ZAGAL TEMPLE
FARGO NORTH DAKOTA

the history of the Order, notices and extracts appear from all quarters, and our foundation is firm from the start."

During the year, Illustrious Noble Jonathan J. French, 33°, who was made a Deputy for Illinois, died at his home in Chicago, and fitting remarks were made in the address of the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate.

The year showed no increase in the number of temples, but the financial and industrial depression which had hung over the country was slowly lifting, and the Illustrious Grand Potentate saw brighter times ahead for the Order of the Mystic Shrine. Applications had been received for deputyships in Colorado and California, but authority was withheld. Two of the temples previously chartered had failed to liquidate the required fee, which matter was referred to the Imperial Grand Council.

Some of the Deputies had been delinquent, and these delinquencies were also urged upon the Imperial Grand Council.

The Imperial Grand Council, on motion of Noble Edward M. L. Ehlers, resolved that all delinquencies must be met by May 1, and the Illustrious Grand Recorder was also instructed to notify every temple and Deputy of the requirement of an initiation fee of two dollars for each member, to accompany the annual report.

Because of the community of interests and the fact that the membership in the Order was drawn solely from Masonic channels, it was decided upon the recommendation of the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate and the motion of Noble Edward M. L. Ehlers, that the annual sessions should hereafter be held in New York in the month of June, and during the communications of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York.

The Ritual Committee was given plenary power to act and publish the revisions found necessary or advisable to make in the ritual, and the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate was given plenary power to publish the history and previous proceedings of the Imperial Grand Council.

Noble Joseph B. Eakins and Noble Charles W. Torrey were both elected to active membership and raised to the dignity of Past Potentates, and the triennial election of officers followed. The result was the selection of the following official divan:

Most Illustrious Walter M. Fleming, Grand Potentate, New York City.

Very Illustrious George F. Loder, Deputy Grand Potentate, Rochester, N. Y.

Illustrious Edward M. L. Ehlers, Grand Chief Rabban, New York City.

Illustrious Sam Briggs, Grand Assistant Rabban, Cleveland, Ohio.

Illustrious William H. Whiting, Grand High Priest and Prophet, Rochester, N. Y.

Illustrious Frazier W. Hurlburt, Grand Oriental Guide, Utica, N. Y.

Illustrious Aaron L. Northrop, Grand Treasurer, New York City.

Illustrious William S. Paterson, Grand Recorder, New York City.

Illustrious Albert P. Moriarty, Grand Financial Secretary, New York City.

Illustrious Brenton D. Babcock, Grand First Ceremonial Master, Cleveland, Ohio.

Illustrious William Fowler, Grand Second Ceremonial Master, New York City.

Illustrious Edward B. Cox, Grand Marshal, Troy, N. Y.

Illustrious John S. Dickerman, Grand Captain of the Guard, Albany, N. Y.

Illustrious Charles W. Torrey, Grand Outer Guard, New York City.

The officers were duly installed, and a resolution was adopted choosing June 2, 1880, in New York City, for the next session of the Imperial Grand Council.

The report of the Illustrious Grand Recorder showed a net increase in the membership of but 13, making the total number of Nobles 438. Mecca, however, had jumped to 77 members.

SIXTH SESSION OF IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

This session was held at Temple Hall, No. 117 West Twenty-third Street, New York City, on Nahar el Khamis, the twenty-second day of the sixth Arabic month, Jamaz ul Akhir, 1297 A. H., answering to Wednesday, June 2, 1880 A. D.

The attendance was larger than usual, and the address of the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate, reviewing the work since the last session, was listened to with interest. One new temple had been formed since the session in February,—Moslem, in Detroit. Dr. Fleming also reported that he had invested Noble Thomas J. Shryock, of Baltimore with constitutional authority to represent the Order in Maryland, and constituted him as Deputy for that State. Noble D. Burnham Tracy was made the Deputy for Michigan. A charter was granted Moslem Temple soon after the address of the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate had been approved.

The following resolution, regulating jurisdiction over applicants, was offered by Noble Charles W. Torrey and adopted:

"*Resolved*, That any applicant for initiation and membership in a subordinate temple without the jurisdiction of the State of his residence, where there is already established a temple, shall not be received without the permission of such temple."

The session was brought to an early close, and at 8 o'clock in the evening Mecca Temple exemplified the ceremonies of the Order in full form, which was attended by the Imperial Grand Council and about two hundred Nobles, the largest gathering up to this time in the United States of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. A notable banquet followed the ceremonial.

SEVENTH SESSION OF IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

The seventh annual session of the Imperial Grand Council was also held in Temple Hall on Nahar el Khamis, the twelfth day of the seventh Arabic month, Rajab, 1298 A. H., answering to Thursday, June 9, 1881 A. D.

The annual address of the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate reviewed carefully the events of the year, and some striking paragraphs here quoted show the development of the Order and the gradual breaking down of the chaotic condition into which the Order had fallen several times and a lack of appreciation of the beauties of the ritual, when rendered with costumes and music.

"On March 20, 1881, I issued a dispensation to Cyprus Temple to hold a special election of officers, and the result was, I am informed, entirely satisfactory.

"Damascus Temple, of the city of Rochester, N. Y., having failed to hold their annual election of officers, as prescribed by the statutes, I issued dispensation authorizing them to hold their election May 25, 1881, which, I doubt not, was fulfilled."

NO FUNDS TO PRINT RITUAL

"In regard to our ritual, a resolution was passed at our last annual session to adopt the revised and corrected ritual. This was carried, but our exchequer, as yet, has not been equal to the requirement.

"We now have a corrected, revised, and undoubtedly a perfect ritual, and it is much to be regretted that we have not been able to issue the same to all the temples of the Order.

"No time or pains were spared to make this esoteric work all that could be desired. It now only remains to have it produced in printed form, and this was hoped to have been consummated before this session; but our finances would not warrant the order."

The resignations of the following active members were received:

Noble Samuel R. Carter
Noble Samuel Harper
Noble Clinton F. Paige
Noble John W. Simons
Noble Charles H. Thomson
Noble J. H. Hobart Ward
Noble John D. Williams

These were accepted, and the following Nobles were elected to active membership and raised to the dignity of Past Potentates, thus making them members of the Supreme Council:

Noble Charles H. Heyzer, New York City.
Noble Julius W. Knowlton, Bridgeport, Conn.
Noble Frank H. Vick, Rochester, N. Y.

Noble John H. Gray was appointed Deputy for the State of California. The following amendment to the by-laws on the subject of suspension of expulsion, offered by Noble Charles W. Torrey, was referred to the Imperial Council as a Committee of the Whole, and adopted:

"*Resolved*, That in Article II, Section 14, the clause reading, 'shall, *ipso facto*, cause his suspension or expulsion from *his temple in* this Order,' be amended by striking out the words, 'his temple in.'"

STATUS OF THE ORDER

The report of the Grand Recorder furnished the following statistics:

Active members in 1880	32
Elected at this session	3
Active members in 1881	28
Past active members	14
Deputies	19
Temples	14

The membership of these temples was 587, an increase of 149, of which 114 were to the credit of Mecca Temple.

In the evening the Imperial Grand Council, in full form, witnessed the full ceremony of the Mystic Shrine conferred on a large number of candidates in Mecca Temple, and afterwards participated in the banquet provided for the occasion.

EIGHTH SESSION OF IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

The eighth annual session was held at Al Beyt Ullahi 'l-Haram of Mecca Temple in the Masonic Temple in New York City, on Nahar el Arbaa, the 20th day of the seventh Arabic month of Rajab, A. H. 1299, corresponding to June 7, A. D. 1882. The notice for this session brought out the information that the new ritual had been printed and copies would be exchanged for each copy of the old ritual. The price for additional copies was fixed at five dollars.

To this session, besides the active members and State and other deputies, the following temples sent representatives, as appears before the names of the temples:

Noble William E. Fitch, Cyprus Temple.
Noble William H. Whiting, Damascus Temple.
Noble Walter M. Fleming, Mecca Temple.
Noble D. Burnham Tracy, Moslem Temple.
Noble Julius W. Knowlton, Pyramid Temple (Bridgeport).
Noble Charles Henry Flach, Syrian Temple.
Noble Frazier W. Hurlburt, Ziyara Temple.

The annual address of the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate plainly showed the advancement of the Order and the renewed interest manifested. Dr. Fleming was moved to remark:

"Those who have been so fortunate as to be admitted and assumed 'the Arab's Vow,' are palpably our most enthusiastic disciples, and the most demonstrative appreciators of our esoteric ceremonials. Our emblems are becoming numerous, and the Crescent is in the ascendant. Our banners are decorating new temples and new fields. New honors evidently await us, and the rapid creation of the Sons of the Desert evince the increasing strength and stature of the Shrine.

"And we trust the day is not far distant when the Crescent, the Templar Cross, and the Prussian Eagle will stand intermingled throughout the length and breadth of the Old and New Worlds, when the Tripod of Foundation, Stability, and Longevity will rest indestructible, one each in the insignia of these three great institutions, that shall defy battle, age, or decay. The fealty and zeal of our disciples will assure this ultimatum."

Four temples were by this time working and exemplifying the work,—Mecca, Al Koran, Syrian, and Moslem. Moslem Temple was visited by all the officers and several members of Mecca Temple, numbering twenty-three, and the work fully rendered, both afternoon and evening. There were, however, at this time, on record eleven other temples which had not yet conferred the work in ceremonial form, but had merely communicated it, and the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate hoped the Imperial Grand Council would find a way whereby they might be induced to provide suitable paraphernalia and make an effort to work the ceremonies. To Nobles Joseph B. Eakins (Mecca Temple) and Sam Briggs (Al Koran Temple) as well as the working officers at headquarters, Dr. Fleming gave credit for the enthusiasm and advancement that had already been obtained.

THE FRATERNAL DEAD

The Most Illustrious Grand Potentate spoke feelingly of and paid tributes to the memory of the two Nobles claimed by death during the year. One of these was the Illustrious Deputy of Ottawa, Canada, T. Douglas Harington, 33°, who died January 13, 1882. The other was Noble Townsend Fondey, 33°, of the city of Albany, who died May 19. Noble Fondey was the first Potentate in Najah Temple, in Albany.

The further growth of the Order was shown by the report of the Illustrious Grand Recorder, Mecca now having 312 members; Al Koran, 84; Cyprus, 38; Pyramid (Davenport, Iowa), 27; Moslem, 26; Syrian, 22; Pyramid (Bridgeport, Conn.), 16; Ziyara, 12; Mount Sinai, 11; Damascus, 148; Oriental, 16. No reports for the year 1881 were made by Damascus, Medina (Atchison, Kan.), Mohammed, Oriental or Syria.

Receipts for dues and fees were $320.

Noble Charles Roome, of New York City, was elected an active member to fill the place made vacant by the death of Noble Townsend Fondey. The following were also elected to active membership: Nobles Albert G. Goodall, New York City; D. Burnham Tracy, Detroit; William B. Melish, Cincinnati; William E. Fitch, Albany; and Joseph M. Levéy, New York City.

All were present except Noble Melish of Cincinnati, and were duly raised to the dignity of Past Potentate. This again made the active membership 33.

Various resolutions which had been referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws were favorably reported and adopted. One of these adopted the style of "Imperial Council for the United States of America," omitting the word "Grand," which had heretofore been used. Its membership was limited to "active members," not exceeding one for each State and Territory in the United States. The first four officers of all subordinate temples in each State and Territory were required, within one month of the triennial session of the Imperial Council, to select three active members for the succeeding triennial term. When temples have been established in more than twelve and less than twenty-two States and Territories, they shall select two active members for the succeeding triennial term. When temples have been established in more than twenty-two States and Territories they shall select one active member for the succeeding triennial term.

Nine active members were constituted a quorum. Every State was entitled to one Deputy, but in no case were there to be more than five Deputies in any one State. The powers of Deputy were limited to the State in which he resided, unless specially authorized by the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate or the Directory in a specific transaction.

Dues to the Imperial Council from the subordinate temples were fixed at $10 annually for the first 100 members, $20 between 101 and 200; $30 between 201 and 300, $40 between 301 and 400, and $10 for every hundred members or less in addition to the above.

CONTROVERSY IN CONNECTICUT

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals presented the following report:

"The Committee on Grievances and Appeals having considered that part of the annual address referring to the matter of Mohammed Temple, of New Haven, Conn., in regard to a complaint that a charter had been issued to them, and that subsequently a charter had been issued to Pyramid Temple, of Bridgeport, Conn., antedated, the officers of Mohammed Temple, claiming precedence in date of authority, desire the error to be corrected, placing them by date as the first chartered temple in Connecticut. This committee advise that the facts be ascertained in regard to the statement of officers of Mohammed Temple as to the correctness of the assertion that their charter has been returned; and, if such be the case, that a correspondence be opened as to the desire and expediency of setting the subject matter right, and satisfactorily to promote the reorganization of Mohammed Temple, on proper basis and invested titled rights."

Illustrious Grand Recorder, Noble W. S. Paterson, made the following report on this subject:

"In regard to Bridgeport, the Grand Potentate, Noble Julius W. Knowlton, shortly after addressed a communication to Noble C. W. Torrey, wherein he detailed the fact that Pyramid Temple was chartered February 7, 1878, with twelve Nobles, and promptly put in motion, working and initiating, holding regular sessions, and seeing and hearing nothing done by Mohammed Temple, of New Haven, led them to suppose them out of the field, and, therefore, they thought their jurisdiction covered all the territory claimed by New Haven, and they took members from Waterbury, Ansonia, and Birmingham. The details of the dates of the Order conferred on both Temples are still referred to the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate."

NINTH SESSION OF IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

The next session of the Imperial Council was held at Al Beyt Ullahi 'l-Haram of Mecca Temple, on Nahar el Arbaa, the 30th day of the seventh Arabic month of Rajab, 1300 A. H. corresponding to Wednesday, June 6, 1883 A. D.

The attendance was the largest yet held. Besides an almost complete Divan of the Imperial officers, active members, and the Directory (Illustrious Nobles Charles T. McClenachan, Joseph B. Eakins, and Sam Briggs), temples were officially represented as follows:

Noble William E. Fitch, Cyprus Temple.
Noble George F. Loder, Damascus Temple.
Noble Walter M. Fleming, Mecca Temple.
Noble D. Burnham Tracy, Moslem Temple.
Noble Theodore E. Haslehurst, Oriental Temple.
Noble Julius W. Knowlton, Pyramid Temple.
Noble William B. Melish, Syrian Temple.

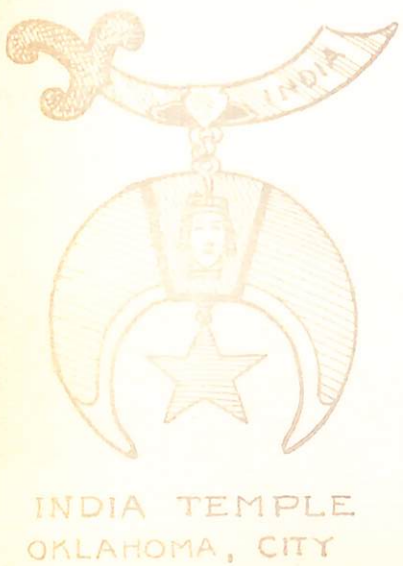
The annual address of the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate was one of unusual length, and went fully into the history of the Order for the year just past. The correspondence had largely increased and the territory had rapidly widened. The address called attention to the creation of a Directory, or Executive Commission, invested with power to adjust and correct all disputes and inadvertencies, constituting a Tribunal or Court of Resort to determine all matters at issue, during the interim of the regular sessions of the Imperial Council.

The Most Illustrious Grand Potentate made fitting reference to the death, at the age of seventy-six years, of the renowned Arab Sheik Abd-el-Kader of Damascus, Syria, whose brilliant history and achievements are recounted in detail in another part of this work. "He was one of the greatest Notables of our Order," said Dr. Fleming.

Among the events of the year were the formation of Aleppo, Medinah, Islam, and other temples which have since risen into the greatest prominence. The history of their formation is given in these excerpts from the address:

"On June 20, 1882, I conferred authority upon Illustrious Deputy Noble Joseph B. Eakins to confer the Order upon Sir Knights and Illustrious Brothers Henry E. Hosley, of Boston, Mass., and eleven chosen Fraters, for the purpose of forming a temple in the above-named city, which duty our Illustrious Special Deputy performed with the desired result, as will appear under the head of Dispensations and Charters.

"On December 1, 1882, I invested constitutional authority upon Illustrious Noble Rev. Anselan Buchanan, of Moundsville, Western Virgina, to confer the Order upon not less than seven nor more than thirteen duly qualified Brethren of the above named city, for the specific purpose of establishing a temple at that place. . . .



"Our Illustrious Deputy, William J. Florence, has referred several applications to these headquarters to receive the Order and organize subordinate temples. . . .

"On June 23, 1882, a dispensation was solicited for Aleppo Temple, in the city of Boston, Mass. The Order was conferred upon seven applicants, as a nucleus for forming the temple, and the dispensation was granted August 3, 1882, and we are informed that the temple is in working order.

"On December 5, 1882, a dispensation was granted to Medinah Temple of Chicago, Ill., the Order having been conferred upon the constitutional number, and the temple is reported equipped with full paraphernalia for the exemplification of the work.

"On March 6, 1883, dispensation was granted Islam Temple, of San Francisco, Cal., and this temple reports rapid progress toward completion of its paraphernalia.

"On April 5, dispensation was granted to Illustrious Noble Sam Briggs, of Cleveland, Ohio, to confer the Order upon the constitutional number of applicants, to establish a temple at Toledo, Ohio, to be known under the name of Osman Temple. The report of this deputy's work in that jurisdiction has not yet been received.

" Mecca Temple of the city of New York, a short time since, exemplified the Order in full upon six applicants, from Easton, Pa., as a nucleus to establish a temple in that city, and it is expected soon to form and open a temple there for the rendition of the work. Mecca Temple has also conferred the Order upon candidates from several other localities, under the sanction of constitutional authority, for the purpose of promoting the establishment of new temples, several of whom are now under correspondence with a view of proceeding to organize and promote an interest in the Order, in territory not as yet represented, and no doubt by the coming fall much advancement will be made towards such a result.

"There are now chartered, and under dispensation, eighteen temples, which evinces the growth and advancement of the Order. There are also several additional new localities under correspondence relative to the establishment of new temples at an early date."

The Most Illustrious Grand Potentate then paid tribute to the splendid work of Mecca Temple, without whose aid the Imperial Council would still have been in a deplorable state of confusion and under lamentable obligations. As it was, the fees from that temple went a long way towards discharging the outstanding indebtedness of the Imperial Council.

"The formidable undertaking, which was assumed by a zealous and tenacious few, the endless task that devolved upon them, the vast obligation incurred, and the plucky manner in which the same nucleus which espoused this cause, to save the parent, reared the child, coached and perfected it, that it might come to the rescue in time of need. I refer to Mecca Temple, as the first born of the Oriental parent; and without reserve or evasion, I now impartially, and without fear or favor, place the credit where it is due, a well-merited compliment, to Mecca Temple, of the Shrine, with its membership of nearly five hundred Sons of the Desert. She has (and I say it without fear of the accusation of being the exponent of a 'mutual admiration society') done more to sustain the parent temple, the Imperial Council, than all her sister temples extant. In saying this, I do not intend to reflect upon all, by any means. But it should be a deserved rebuke upon such *limited* localities of our jurisdiction *where it applies*. . . .

"In conclusion, Illustrious Nobles, it becomes my duty to announce that the time for your triennial election of officers for this Imperial Council has arrived. Select for yourselves such an official corps as will impartially and faithfully fulfill the functions of each respective office, we hope, with the same commendable harmony that has characterized our labors for the last eight years. And may you go on to an unprecedented success, that will reflect both credit and honor upon every representative of the Order!

" And in yielding up the Scepter of Rule I have so long held, through your manifested confidence and will, permit me to express the assurances of my pride in and appreciation of the great trusts reposed in me. The exalted position with which you have honored me so long, I confidently intrust to the Illustrious Noble of *your* choice for the achievement of future successes, and may your most sanguine wishes be realized in the advancement and prosperity of our much loved Order.

"The principal part of the laborious work which characterizes the inauguration of all newly formed institutions has been accomplished. The Oriental ritualistic work is now perfect; the dispensations, charters, and diplomas are complete; the History and Statutes and Regulations are in your hands, and are eminently worthy your praise and approbation. Our proceedings have finally appeared, a compilation formidable but complete, and comprise a volume replete with authentic information concerning the Order throughout the world, together with a detailed recapitulation of the transactions of this Imperial Council since its organization. The exemplification of the work has been brought to perfection, and everything appertaining to the Order now upon the high road to an unprecedented success, and no obstacle now remains to a rapid advancement to strength, power, and superiority."

MEDINAH TEMPLE
CHICAGO, ILL.

The entire address was received with such interest and enthusiasm that a vote was taken ordering two hundred and fifty copies of it to be printed for distribution among the members of the Imperial Council and Nobles.

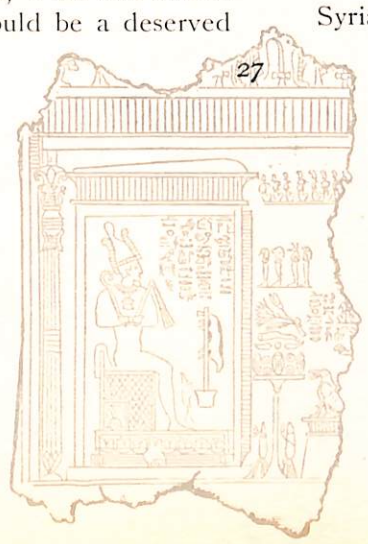
The expenditures of the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate for the year were $590.75, and his receipts $574.00, leaving a balance due him of $16.75.

REPORT OF ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND RECORDER

The number of chartered temples was shown by the report of the Illustrious Grand Recorder to be 17. There were 33 active, 13 past active, and 19 deputies of the Imperial Council. Reports from the various temples were incomplete, but the membership of those reporting follows:

Mecca Temple, New York	362
Al Koran Temple, Cleveland	108
Cyprus Temple, Albany	43
Pyramid Temple, Davenport	25
Moslem Temple, Detroit	112
Syrian Temple, Cincinnati	89
Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport	34
Ziyara Temple, Utica	11
Mount Sinai Temple, Montpelier	24
Damascus Temple, Rochester	148
Syria Temple, Pittsburg	43

EL KALAH TEMPLE
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH



Islam Temple, San Francisco	15
Medinah Temple, Chicago	12
Aleppo Temple, Boston	8
Oriental Temple, Troy	11

Medina, Atchison, Kan., and Mohammed, New Haven, Conn., made no reports.

The receipts of the Grand Recorder were $960, and the expenditures $872.72.

CHANGE OF BASIS OF REPRESENTATION

The Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws made an extended report, in which it was recommended to change the number of active members. The committee reported:

"Your committee has also been requested to give the full number of active members allowed according to Section 1 of the Statutes, and therefore state that at the present time the United States consist of thirty-eight States, ten Territories, and one District, making the total number forty-nine, which number the Imperial Council cannot at present exceed.

" In order also to facilitate the election of active members, and to give a more equitable representation of the number of members contained in some of the temples, according to the suggestion of the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate in his address, your committee recommend that temples be allowed, in addition to the chosen representatives one active member for every one hundred members in good standing on their rolls.

GRADE OF EMERITUS

"Your committee observe that the present election will probably not include some of those who have been most active in the counsels of this Imperial Body since its formation, and they therefore recommend that the grade of Emeritus be established, to which eminent Nobles of the Order having served in this Imperial Council may be elected, to take rank as associate members."

Upon motion of Noble Joseph B. Eakins the report was received and the recommendations adopted.

ORGANIZATION OF ACTIVE MEMBERS

The following representatives were present and accredited by their credentials, and, there being more than the requisite quorum they thereupon proceeded to organize the active membership of the Imperial Council for the ensuing triennial term:

Noble Arthur R. Blakeslee, Pyramid Temple.
Noble Sam Briggs, Al Koran Temple.
Noble William E. Fitch, Cyprus Temple.
Noble Charles H. Flach, Syrian Temple.
Noble Walter M. Fleming, Mecca Temple.
Noble George F. Loder, Damascus Temple.
Noble William B. Melish, Syrian Temple.
Noble William S. Paterson, Mecca Temple.
Noble D. Burnham Tracy, Moslem Temple.
Noble William H. Whiting, Damascus Temple.

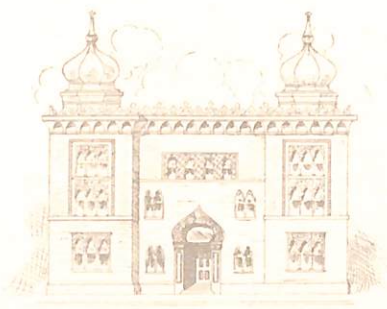
Noble Charles T. McClenachan was invited to preside during the organization, and Noble William S. Paterson to act as Recorder. By regular nomination and ballot the active members proceeded to fill the active membership to the number of forty-nine, when the following Nobles were duly elected:

Noble Frank W. Angel (Iowa), Pyramid Temple.
Noble Jesse B. Anthony, Oriental Temple.
Noble George P. Balmain, Syria Temple.
Noble Charles E. Barnard, Ziyara Temple.
Noble William H. L. Barnes, Islam Temple.
Noble Franklin H. Bascom, Mount Sinai Temple.
Noble Edward A. Blake, Medinah Temple.
Noble Henry Carse, Syrian Temple.
Noble Samuel R. Carter, Damascus Temple.
Noble James A. Collins, Syrian Temple.
Noble Joseph B. Eakins, Mecca Temple.
Noble Edward M. L. Ehlers, Mecca Temple.
Noble Civilion Fones (Connecticut), Pyramid Temple.
Noble John H. Gray, Islam Temple.
Noble Thomas J. Griffiths, Ziyara Temple.
Noble Joseph R. Grose, Aleppo Temple.
Noble Samuel Harper, Syria Temple.
Noble Theodore E. Haslehurst, Oriental Temple.
Noble Benjamin F. Haxton, Moslem Temple.
Noble Charles H. Heyzer, Mecca Temple.
Noble Henry E. Hosley, Aleppo Temple.
Noble Horace W. Hubbard, Al Koran Temple.
Noble Vincent L. Hurlbut, Medinah Temple.
Noble Erasmus D. Jones, Cyprus Temple.
Noble Julius W. Knowlton (Connecticut), Pyramid Temple.
Noble Joseph M. Levéy, Mecca Temple.
Noble Richard P. Marvin, Jr., Al Koran Temple.
Noble Hugh McCurdy, Moslem Temple.
Noble James McGee, Mecca Temple.
Noble George W. Millar, Mecca Temple.
Noble Manson Seavy, Aleppo Temple.
Noble Ozias W. Shipman, Moslem Temple.
Noble Thomas J. Shryock (Baltimore).
Noble Marvin E. Smith, Medinah Temple.
Noble Charles W. Torrey, Mecca Temple.
Noble George O. Tyler, Mount Sinai Temple.
Noble Jarvis White (Iowa), Pyramid Temple.
Noble Thomas T. Wightman, Syria Temple.
Noble George W. Wing, Mount Sinai Temple.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following officers were then elected for the next three years:

Noble Walter M. Fleming, Most Illustrious Grand Potentate.
Noble Sam Briggs, Deputy Grand Potentate.
Noble William B. Melish, Grand Chief Rabban.
Noble D. Burnham Tracy, Grand Assistant Rabban.
Noble William H. Whiting, Grand High Priest and Prophet.
Noble James McGee, Grand Oriental Guide.
Noble Joseph M. Levéy, Grand Treasurer.
Noble William S. Paterson, Grand Recorder.
Noble Julius W. Knowlton, Grand First Ceremonial Master.
Noble Charles H. Flach, Grand Second Ceremonial Master.
Noble William E. Fitch, Grand Marshal.
Noble Thomas J. Shryock, Grand Captain of the Guard.
Noble Hugh McCurdy, Grand Outer Guard.
Noble Stephen W. Swift was appointed Grand Assistant Guard.



The Imperial Council then proceeded to the election of the Directory for the ensuing three years, with the following result:

Noble Joseph B. Eakins, New York.
Noble Sam Briggs, Cleveland, Ohio.
Noble George W. Millar, New York.

EMERITI MEMBERS

In accordance with the recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, the following Illustrious Nobles were elected to the grade of Emeritus for eminent service in the Order:

Noble William J. Florence, New York.
Noble Charles T. McClenachan, New York.
Noble Albert L. Rawson, New York.

DEPUTIES

Deputies for the ensuing term of three years were named as below:

Noble Frank W. Angel, Davenport, Iowa.
Noble Anthony W. Barnard, Butte, Mont.
Noble Franklin H. Bascom, Montpelier, Vt.
Noble George S. Birrell, London, Canada.
Noble Jerome B. Borden, New Brunswick, N. J.
Noble Sam Briggs, Cleveland, Ohio.
Noble Charles H. Fisk, Covington, Ky.
Noble William J. Florence (at Large), New York City.
Noble John H. Gray, San Francisco, Cal.
Noble Samuel Harper, Pittsburg, Pa.
Noble Henry E. Hosley, South Boston, Mass.
Noble William B. Melish, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Noble Charles E. Meyer, Philadelphia, Pa.
Noble Augustus W. Peters, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Noble George Scott, Paterson, N. J.
Noble Thomas J. Shryock, Baltimore, Md.
Noble Hugh Stirling, Bridgeport, Conn.
Noble Edgar P. Tobey, Chicago, Ill.
Noble Charles W. Torrey, New York City.
Noble D. Burnham Tracy, Detroit, Mich.

Nobles William J. Florence and Albert L. Rawson were elected representatives of the temples in the East.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

To preserve the early associations of the inception of the Order, the following Nobles, who have served the Imperial Council at various times, were directed to be placed on record as associate members, being past active members of the Imperial Council, and having the rank of Past Grand Potentates:

Noble Edward W. Atwood, Bridgeport, Conn.
Noble Brenton D. Babcock, Cleveland, Ohio.
Noble Dayton Ball, Albany, N. Y.
Noble John F. Collins, New York City.
Noble Edward B. Cox, Troy, N. Y.
Noble John S. Dickerman, Albany, N. Y.
Noble William Fowler, New York City.
Noble Albert G. Goodall, New York City.
Noble Frazier W. Hurlburt, Utica, N. Y.
Noble Philip F. Lenhart, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Noble Albert P. Moriarty, New York City.
Noble Aaron L. Northrop, New York City.
Noble Clinton F. Paige, Binghamton, N. Y.
Noble Robert Ramsay, Orillia, Canada.
Noble Charles Roome, New York City.
Noble George Scott, Paterson, N. J.
Noble Bensen Sherwood, New York City.
Noble Daniel Sickels, New York City.
Noble John W. Simons, New York City.
Noble John L. Stettinius, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Noble James H. Ten Eyck, Albany, N. Y.
Noble Charles H. Thomson, Corning, N. Y.
Noble Frank H. Vick, Rochester, N. Y.
Noble Robert H. Waterman, Albany, N. Y.
Noble J. H. Hobart Ward, New York City.
Noble John D. Williams, Elmira, N. Y.

By resolution adopted, the "Origin and History of the Order," as published by the Illustrious Grand Recorder, was approved.

THREE TEMPLES CHARTERED

Charters were issued to Islam Temple, San Francisco; Medinah Temple, Chicago; and Aleppo Temple, Boston.

In presenting to Noble Joseph B. Eakins an elegantly engrossed set of resolutions, handsomely framed, as a slight token of the appreciation of the members of Mecca Temple to their director, the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate gave a history of the successful career of Mecca Temple while under the direction of Noble Eakins. He recounted the sacrifices of time and the unwearied zeal of the director, and the large accession of membership due to his influence. He tendered the cordial expression of the unbounded love borne by every Noble of that temple for one who had endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact.

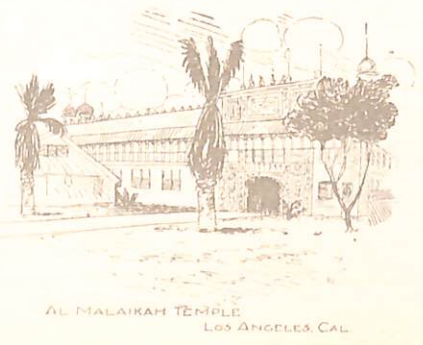
A humble response was made by Noble Eakins.

MECCA'S SPLENDID SET OF OFFICERS, ETC.

Under the wonderful organizing influence of Noble Eakins in his capacity as Director of Mecca Temple, he had brought the Temple to a high degree of efficiency, with a membership of 312, June 1, 1882, and the following brilliant set of officers for the ceremonial sessions, which were worth traveling miles to witness:

Walter M. Fleming, Grand Potentate.
Augustus W. Peters, Chief Rabban.
Philip C. Benjamin, Assistant Rabban.
Charles H. Heyzer, High Priest and Prophet.
The Rev. C. L. Twing, Scherif ul Ulema.
James McGee, Oriental Guide.
Joseph M. Levéy, Treasurer.
William S. Paterson, Recorder.
James V. Kirby, First Ceremonial Master.
Hermon J. Emerson, Second Ceremonial Master.
Edgar M. Ayers, Marshal.
Fred Schwalenberg, Assistant Marshal.
Daniel M. McLellan, Senior Captain of the Guard.
Edward S. Innet, Junior Captain of the Guard.
Albert C. Johnson, Organist.
Arthur T. Hills, Chanter of Al Koran.
George B. Eddy, Chanter of Al Koran.
Amos L. See, Chanter of Al Koran.
Harvey Mitchell, Chanter of Al Koran.
Isaac F. Gorham, Chanter of Al Koran.
Stephen W. Swift, Outer Guard.
Theodore Reeves, Assistant Guard.

ALGERIA TEMPLE
HELENA MONTANA



AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE
LOS ANGELES, CAL.

ARARAT TEMPLE
KANSAS CITY, MO.

EL RIAD TEMPLE
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WILLIAM Q. TITUS, Assistant Director.
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JOHN F. COLLINS, Sultan Scherif.
T. T. TIMAYENIS, Nekib el Ascharaf.
EDWARD ADAMS, Scherif el Haram.
EDWARD WILLIAMS, Jeweler.
JAMES B. GRANT, Alchemist.
BENSEN SHERWOOD, Architect.
JOHN N. BLAZI, Engineer.
CHARLES P. COCKS, Scherif el Kaaba.
THOMAS J. LEIGH, Jallad.
WARREN R. HEDDEN, Abdallah.
JOHN B. RUSSELL, Khawwan.
GEORGE W. MILLAR, Mukhabbir.
JOSEPH F. WARING, Azra.
JUDSON W. HOLBROOK, Sabiyah.
CHARLES W. TORREY, Emir el Hajji.
GEORGE MCNEIL, Scherif el Zemzem.
STEPHEN D. AFFLECK, Scherif el Muezzin.
SAMUEL L. TERHUNE, Scherif ad Diyafat.
ALBERT L. RAWSON, Professor of Arabic.

In addition there were twenty-five Nobles dressed in full Arabic costume forming the patrol.

The Grand Potentates and strength of other temples in that year were officially reported as follows:

Aleppo Temple, Boston, Henry E. Hosley, Grand Potentate; 8 members.

Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, Sam Briggs, Grand Potentate; 108 members.

Cyprus Temple, Albany, N. Y., Robert D. Williams, Grand Potentate; 43 members.

Damascus Temple, Rochester, George F. Loder, Grand Potentate; 148 members.

Islam Temple, San Francisco, Wm. H. L. Barnes, Grand Potentate; 15 members.

Mecca Temple, New York, Walter M. Fleming, Grand Potentate, December 31; 362 members.

Medinah Temple, Chicago, Edgar P. Tobey, Grand Potentate; 12 members.

Moslem Temple, Detroit, Ozias W. Shipman, Grand Potentate; 112 members.

Mt. Sinai Temple, Montpelier, George O. Tyler, Grand Potentate; 24 members.

Oriental Temple, Troy, N. Y., Jesse B. Anthony, Grand Potentate; 11 members.

Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn., Julius W. Knowlton, Grand Potentate; 34 members.

Pyramid Temple, Davenport, Iowa, Frank W. Angel, Grand Potentate; 25 members.

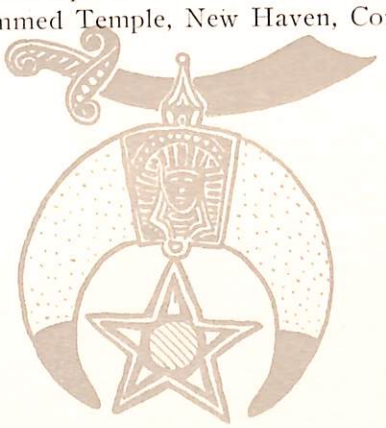
Syria Temple, Pittsburg, Samuel Harper, Grand Potentate; 43 members.

Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, William B. Melish, Grand Potentate; 89 members.

Ziyara Temple, Utica, N. Y., Frazier W. Hurlburt, Grand Potentate; 11 members.

Medina Temple, Atchison, Kan., Jos. A. Greenwalt, Grand Potentate; no report.

Mohammed Temple, New Haven, Conn.; no report.



MOHAMMED TEMPLE
PEORIA ILL.

TEMPLES ESTABLISHED IN 1884

The year 1884 saw the birth of four temples, three of which have become renowned. They were:

Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Daniel E. Hughes, Grand Potentate, and N. Ferree Lightner, Recorder.

Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Thomas McCoubray, Jr., Grand Potentate, and John H. Miller, Recorder.

Murat Temple, Indianapolis, John T. Brush, Grand Potentate, and Cortes F. Holliday, Recorder.

Salaam Temple, Olney, Ill., William H. Curtin and others.

SPREAD OF THE ORDER BEGINS

The tenth annual session of the Imperial Council was held in Masonic Temple, New York, June 4, 1884. The attendance was large. The Most Illustrious Grand Potentate showed plainly in his annual address how greatly he was encouraged by the life and zeal displayed by most of the temples, and regarded the Shrine as at last on a successful basis. The disciples of the Crescent were fast swelling into a multitude, and inquiries came from all parts of the United States and the British Dominions.

But one notable death occurred during the year, that of the renowned Sheik Obeidullah, a descendant from the daughter of the Prophet, who was called to the Unseen Temple during his pilgrimage to the Kaabah, or Shrine, at Mecca, in Dhu'l Hajja, 1300, equivalent to September, 1883. Dr. Fleming said:

"This great Sheik was the Chief of the Politico-Religious Kurds, the Bektash in the East. He descended from the daughter of the Prophet, and was of the purest Bedouin blood, and was esteemed the third noblest person in Islam. It was this tribe and their followers that struck consternation and alarm to the flanks and rear of Xenophon's army in their famous retreat, so vividly portrayed in the 'Anabasis.' The Romans also were decimated under their prowess, as many Latin authors relate in their histories of the Parthians.

"Obeidullah, with his son, commanded an attack on the Persian towns bordering Lake Urumijah, but were vanquished by Miryah-Khan, a Persian General. The Sheik was forced to retreat to the mountains, whence by lavish promises he was lured to Stamboul, and there made prisoner; he was held captive several months, when, during the fast of the Ramazan, he escaped and fled to Kurdistan, and once more rallied his faithful followers. He was again captured by the Turks in October, 1882, when his flying squadron rescued him and took him to Kouroma."

DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS

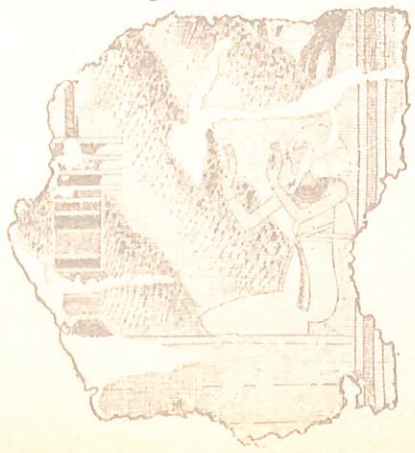
These were fully dealt with by the Grand Illustrious Potentate, and included these among others:

August 4, 1883, Illustrious Noble George Van Vliet, Deputy at Large for special duty outside the local jurisdiction for the welfare and progress of the Order.

October 15, 1883, Noble Anthony Wayne Barnard, of Butte, Mont., who received the Order in Islam Temple, San Francisco, Deputy for the Territory of Montana.

October 31, 1883, Illustrious Noble John Worthington, of the Island of Malta, Deputy for that jurisdiction. Noble Worthington was the United States Consul at Malta and rendered signal service in the interest of the Shrine.

November 15, 1883, Islam Temple of San Francisco was chartered.



December 31, 1883, Lu Lu Temple of Philadelphia was chartered. This Temple was instituted January 10, 1884, when the officers of the Imperial Council and of Mecca Temple went to Philadelphia for that purpose.

January 1, 1884, Salaam Temple, Olney, Ill., was chartered.

March 13, 1884, dispensation was granted to Murat Temple, which was organized with Noble John T. Brush as Grand Potentate.

March 15, 1884, Illustrious Grand Treasurer, Joseph M. Levéy, was made Deputy at Large in foreign countries to confer the Order and establish temples in England, Wales, and elsewhere.

March 31, 1884, dispensation was granted to open Boumi Temple, of Baltimore, Lu Lu Temple exemplifying the ceremonies and ritual.

This brought the number of temples up to twenty-two and carried the Order over the brow of the first and steepest hill, for from this time forward the rise of the Order in strength and power was rapid.

A visit to Medinah Temple, Chicago, by the Imperial officers and a caravan of about fifty Nobles from New York, April 18 and 19, 1884, was a feature of the year, the occasion also drawing to Chicago Nobles from other temples in the West. At the ceremonial session fifty-two sons of the desert met the Moslem test in safety and were raised to the Nobility. The Nobles of Medinah Temple were lavish in their hospitality to the visitors, and the occasion was so memorable that a full account of it becomes a part of the record of the proceedings of the Imperial Council.

BIRTH OF KOSAIR, JERUSALEM AND TRIPOLI

The year 1884-85 saw three new temples established,—Kosair of Louisville, Ky., Tripoli of Milwaukee, Wis., and Jerusalem of New Orleans. William Ryan was the First Grand Potentate of Kosair, Henry L. Palmer, of Tripoli, and Alfred Shaw of Jerusalem.

ELEVENTH SESSION OF IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

The eleventh annual session of the Imperial Council was held June 4, 1885, in New York, with a very large attendance. The ranks were fast filling. No more was known of scoffers. The highest men in Masonry in all parts of the country were lending their aid to the Shrine and upholding its purposes. Lu Lu, Islam, Pyramid, Syria, Syrian, Boumi, Murat, and Mecca Temples were all thriving and busy. In fact, the seeds of organization so laboriously sown and so incessantly cultivated were now bursting into a harvest of the ripest grain. The struggles of the preceding decade were now being rewarded in ample measure.

A resolution was adopted at this session, on motion of Noble William B. Melish, that the next session of the Imperial Council, the triennial session, should be held in Cleveland, where Al Koran Temple had brought the work of the Shrine to such a high degree of perfection. Heretofore, with one exception, all the sessions had been held in New York.

RESULT OF TRIENNIAL ELECTION

The Cleveland session was held June 14, 1886, and at this session the following official divan for the ensuing three years was chosen, the occasion marking the retirement of Most Illustrious Walter M. Fleming, who had served the Shrine as its head since its formation:

Sam Briggs, Imperial Potentate, Cleveland, Ohio.
Joseph B. Eakins, Imperial Deputy Potentate, New York City.
James H. Thompson, Imperial Chief Rabban, Chicago, Ill.
Henry E. Hosley, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Boston, Mass.
John T. Brush, High Priest and Prophet, Indianapolis, Ind.
James McGee, Imperial Oriental Guide, New York City.
Joseph M. Levéy, Imperial Treasurer, New York City.
William S. Paterson, Imperial Recorder, New York City.
Charles H. Flach, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, Cincinnati, Ohio.
William Ryan, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Louisville, Ky.
Clarence B. Mason, Imperial Marshal, Newport, R. I.
George E. Pantlind, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Thomas J. Hudson, Imperial Outer Guard, Pittsburg, Pa.
Theodore Elmendorf, Imperial Assistant Guard, Cleveland, Ohio.

Directory—Walter M. Fleming, New York; George W. Millar, New York; and William B. Melish, Cincinnati, Ohio.

PROGRESS MADE IN 1886

A dispensation was granted, June 20, 1885, to Illustrious Deputy Charles M. Truman of St. Paul for the formation of Osman Temple of St. Paul. Zuhrah Temple of Minneapolis was formed July 25, by dispensation granted Noble John A. Schenler of that city.

The creation of two temples so near together, in the State of Minnesota, caused considerable dissension and animosity. After considerable effort on the part of all concerned, both in the State of Minnesota and the Grand Orient, to conciliate matters and promote harmony, the Most Illustrious Grand Potentate requested Noble Schenler to discontinue Zuhrah Temple in Minneapolis.

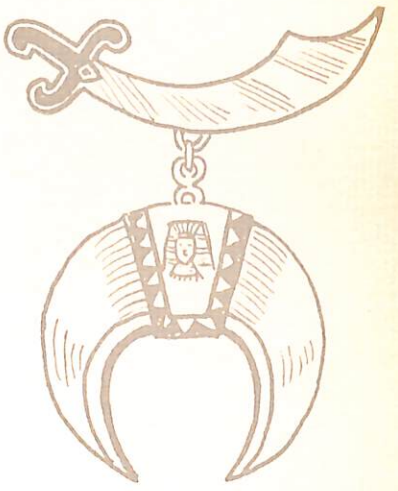
The dispute came before the Committee on Dispensations and Charters at the annual session, and the committee disagreed, and recommended action by the Imperial Council, after hearing the representatives of the Nobles of the two temples who were present to urge their claims.

The dispute was threshed out on the floor of the Imperial Council, with the result that charters were granted to both temples and an era of prosperity for each was entered upon.

Medina Temple, of Atchison, Kan., and Mohammed Temple, of New Haven, Conn., had made no reports for several years, and communication could not be had with them, and as a result the Imperial Council revoked their charters.

The committee recommended that charters be granted to the following temples:

Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.
El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
Kosair Temple, Louisville, Ky.
Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo.
Palestine Temple, Newport, R. I.
Saladin Temple, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Tripoli Temple, Milwaukee, Wis.



KOSAIR TEMPLE
LOUISVILLE, KY.

EL JEBEL TEMPLE
DENVER COLO.

MEDINAH TEMPLE
CHICAGO, ILL.

ABBA TEMPLE
MOBILE, ALA.

EL ZAGAL TEMPLE
FARGO NORTH DAKOTA

Almas Temple was opened by dispensation granted January 7, 1886. Noble Clarence B. Mason received the dispensation for Palestine Temple, January 28.

El Kahir Temple, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, was granted dispensation February 9, the authority being granted to Noble James Morton, with the indorsement of Pyramid Temple of Davenport.

Saladin Temple of Grand Rapids, Mich., was formed by dispensation granted to Noble Charles S. Hazeltine, April 27.

Moolah Temple of St. Louis received its dispensation April 26, authority being granted to Noble Eli J. Crandall. However, on March 17 dispensation had been granted to Medinah Temple of Chicago, to confer the Order of the Shrine upon a class of eligible applicants in St. Louis, during the triennial conclave of the Grand Encampment of the Knights Templar of the United States, September 21, 22, and 23.

Dispensation had also been granted Noble Preston Belvin of Richmond, and fourteen associates, to form Acca Temple of Richmond, Va.

At this session of the Imperial Council, the salary of the Illustrious Grand Recorder was made six hundred dollars a year, on motion of Noble William Ryan of Kosair Temple.

The next session of the Imperial Council was set for Indianapolis in June, 1887. Before adjourning the Imperial Council adopted a number of important amendments or resolutions. One of these fixed the minimum fee for conferring the Order at $25. Another made three blackballs necessary for rejection instead of one. It was also decided, in view of the conflict of names, that only one temple should have the same Arabic or Egyptian name, and the youngest of such temples was directed to choose another name.

The word "Grand" was dropped from the title of the officers, and they were henceforth known as "Imperial."

NOTABLE RECEPTION BY AL KORAN TEMPLE

A feature of this session of the Imperial Council, which went down into history as one of the great events of the Shrine, was the reception tendered the Imperial Council by Al Koran Temple at its Al Masjid, on Superior Street, Cleveland, on the evening of its triennial session June 14, 1886. The attendance was very large and most enthusiastic, and the affair gave wonderful impetus to the Order, to bear abundant fruit during the next twenty years.

The rooms were elaborately decorated with the insignia of the Order, and the Imperial Divan was seated on a dais, before which were arranged four long tables, surrounded by the Nobles, visitors, and members of Al Koran, numbering about two hundred and fifty, from all parts of the United States.

At 8 o'clock Most Illustrious Sam Briggs, the Imperial Potentate, and a Noble of Al Koran Temple, opened the reception with cordial words of welcome and invited the Nobles to partake of the banquet which had been provided. The menu was interspersed with music and toasts and included the following:

National March—Liberty Enlightening the World..Germania Orchestra
The Imperial Council.....
.....Dr. W. M. Fleming, Most Illustrious Past Imperial Potentate
Overture—Peche Mignon (Langey).....Germania Orchestra
The Directory .....George W. Millar
Music, Vocal—Bedouin Love Song (Pinsuti).....Quartet
The Supreme Council, A. A. S. Rite .....Brenton D. Babcock
Music—Irish Patrol (Puerner).....Germania Orchestra
The Grand Encampment, K. T., U. S. A.....
Charles E. Stanley, Grand Commander of the Knights Templar of Ohio
Music—Carlotta Waltz (Millecker).....Germania Orchestra
The Temples in New York .....Charles H. Heyzer
Selections—Mikado (Wiegand) .....Germania Orchestra
The Arabians in Missouri .....William H. Mayo
Music, Vocal—The Ruined Chapel (Becker).....Quartet
The Massachusetts Bektash .....Henry E. Hosley
Music—British Patrol (Linden) .....Germania Orchestra
The Wisconsin Shriners.....Eugene S. Elliott

Sherbet of Shiraz—Committee

The Dervishes of Kentucky .....William Ryan
Music—Vocal—Night Watch of the Swiss Confederates (Schumann)..
..... Quartet
The Minnesota Oasis .....E. W. Durant
Music—Elks' Frolic (Boettger) .....Germania Orchestra
The Shrine in the Keystone State .....Edward B. Jordan
Music, Vocal—Waltz Song (Vogel).....Quartet
The Divan in Iowa .....The Hon. Cyrus W. Eaton

More Sherbet—If the Committee are still here

The Illinois Worshipers .....James H. Thompson
Music, Vocal—Serenade (Kreutzer) .....Quartet
The Indiana Contingent .....John T. Brush
Music—Medley (Moses) .....Germania Orchestra
The Rufaiyeh of Ohio .....William B. Melish

The singing of the Arion quartet was one of the features of the evening. The speeches were notable and illustrated the wonderful popularity which the Order was now gaining in all parts of the country where temples had been established. Letters of regret were read from a number of prominent Nobles who found it impossible to be present, and among them was the following poem from the pen of Noble Cahill W. Hazard, of Monongahela City, Pa., which was received with great applause, and was so highly appreciated that it was published in the official proceedings:

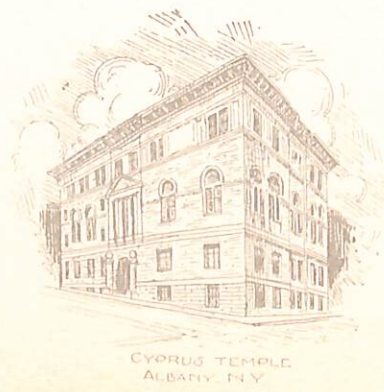
Not very long ago, a Noble of the Shrine
Lay on his tiger skin, at sun's decline,
When messenger approached with dutiful Salaam
And bore a graver missal, signed by "Sam."

The Noble yawned, for all that day
His thoughts from business ran at play:
His bank account had gone quite lame;
He cursed the hour that birth had giv'n him name;
His camels were athirst, his horse astray,
His harem's chiefest beauty gone away,
And down his cheek there coursed a silent tear;
His tongue was parched, and—he was out of beer.

So when he tore the parchment seal, and ran
His eye adown the "tip" from Al Koran,
He cried: "This came from Heaven, and none too soon!
I'll go to Cleveland the fourteenth day of June!
This saves my life! Bring forth the camel rigs,
And set their heads toward Oasis Sam Briggs.

Just then he paused, and gazed upon the dial;
It marked the time set down for sudden trial,
In field political, to cure defection.
His tribe that afternoon held primary election:
And he, upon that very day and date
Booked for a race at camel's swiftest gait.

The Shareef wept. He cursed the very Fates,
And called on mighty Allah. Then, to confound the dates,
He cast his scimiter into the blessed Koran,
Which unto all reveals the fate of man,
And there these lines he read—thus said the Book:
"You may not go—you may not even look"
Toward Oasis Cleveland, June fourteen;
Not that day—but "some other day," I ween.



The Shareef bowed. He is too good a Noble
To cause the sons of Allah any trouble;
But on his knees he nightly prays the Perii
That he may one future day, upon the banks of Erii,
Join in a cup of pure Arabian dew
With all Al Koran's thrice illustrious crew.

Noble Caleb H. Benton, in a noted speech in behalf of the Oasis of Minneapolis, promised to aid Noble William H. S. Wright, of the St. Paul Oasis, in the work of building up the Shrine in the Twin Cities, and would in the next year prove the wisdom of the Imperial Council in granting charters to each city.

Noble Thomas J. Leigh of New York recited "The Two Glasses," telling of the conquest of wine and water, "told to each other as they sat together, on a rich man's table, rim to rim," and in response to demands for an encore he gave the amusing "Reply of the Sailor to the Parson."

The fun was fast and furious, led by Mecca's "Arabian Bell Ringers," who extracted the most weird and peculiar music from the bells worn by their camels in making their pilgrimage to the Oasis of Cleveland. In connection therewith, Noble George W. Millar, of the directory, demonstrated to the full satisfaction of the Nobles the impartial and indiscriminating manner in which all impolitic or obstructive appeals were met by his forces, and the bells were then distributed as souvenirs. They are to-day treasured highly by the survivors of that notable occasion.

One of the favorites of the evening was "Daddy" William Ryan of Kosair Temple, Louisville, one of the stanch supporters of the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home of Louisville. A number of the Nobles presented him with a large subscription list to the "Masonic Home Journal," which is printed at the home by the Masonic orphans. Noble Ryan acknowledged that this warmly touched his heart, and gratefully thanked the Nobles for their thoughtfulness, in the midst of their pleasures, in contributing to the happiness of the Masonic orphans under his charge.

MEMORABLE SESSION OF MOOLAH TEMPLE

Moolah Temple of St. Louis held a ceremonial session September 22, 1886, which attracted Shriners from many parts of the country. The official call read as below:

SHAREEF AL MASIHI, ATTEND:

On the 23d day of the last month, Zeel Hajjeh, Sanna Hejeera 1303, commonly known to those whose eyes have not been opened to the true faith as Wednesday, September 22, 1886 A. D., at 7 o'clock P. M., will be holden in the goodly city of St. Louis, State of Missouri, a special session of Moolah Temple, Nobility of the Mystic Shrine, on which occasion will be celebrated with more than Oriental magnificence,

THE LAST FEAST OF THE OLD YEAR,
THE DAY OF ARAFAT AT MECCA.
Also the
KOORBAN BAYRAM !
SYMBOLIC ILLUSTRATION
of the
SACRIFICE OF SHEEP IN HONOR OF IBRAHEEM
The End of the Nights of Sanad na Abyad.

A special invitation is extended to every Noble in the United States!

The initiatory ceremonies were conducted under the auspices of Medinah Temple of Chicago, assisted by the Imperial Potentate and other members of the Imperial Council. The occasion was the triennial conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar for the United States, and the sand had been heating all summer.

Medinah Temple brought by special caravan all her paraphernalia and the gorgeous appointments which marked the Temple by the Lake. The affair was widely advertised, and was in the hands of a joint committee from Moolah and Medinah Temples, with W. A. Stiles as Secretary. Moolah's committee consisted of Nobles William H. Mayo, E. J. Crandall, and John T. Nixon, while Nobles Thomas H. Currier, Daniel Shelby, and James H. Thompson looked after the details for Medinah.

The official divan for Moolah Temple was composed as follows:

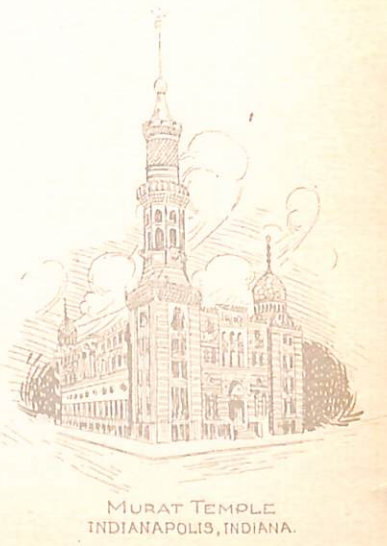
ELI J. CRANDALL, Potentate.
E. B. OVERSTREET, Chief Rabban.
JACK P. RICHARDSON, Assistant Rabban.
GEORGE T. MURPHY, High Priest and Prophet.
V. O. SAUNDERS, Oriental Guide.
HUNTER BEN JENKINS, Treasurer.
WILLIAM H. MAYO, Recorder.
JOHN T. NIXON, First Ceremonial Master.
BENJAMIN LYNDS, Second Ceremonial Master.
WILLIAM H. ETTER, Marshal.
WILLIAM WALSH, Captain of the Guard.
JOHN J. BAULCH, Director.
HORACE W. HIBBARD, Director.
W. H. MEAD, Director.
THOMAS P. MORSE, Lecturer.
JOHN R. PARSON, Alchemist.
R. D. HUNTER, Alchemist.
A. F. DONK, Outer Guard.

The divan of Medinah Temple consisted of:

JAMES H. THOMPSON, Potentate.
O. I. JACOBUS, Chief Rabban.
R. I. DAKIN, Assistant Rabban.
FRANK E. LAND, High Priest and Prophet.
T. H. CURRIER, Oriental Guide.
J. S. CARTER, Treasurer.
WILLIAM A. STILES, Recorder.
JOHN A. MAY, Grand Lecturer.
F. M. LUCE, First Ceremonial Master.
C. H. CHAMBERLAIN, Second Ceremonial Master.
A. C. POTTER, Marshal.
ALEX OSTERMAN, Captain of the Guard.
E. P. TOBEY, Director.
HENRY A. KEITH, Director.
T. C. PENNINGTON, Director.
L. E. PENNINGTON, Alchemist.
CHARLES KOTZENBERG, Alchemist.
A. MCLELLAN, Outer Guard.

Noble Eli J. Crandall, of Moolah, and Noble James Thompson, of Medinah, were chairmen of the Reception Committees, which included many of the leading Nobles of the two Temples. The Honorary Committee included the active members of the Imperial Council and many other notables.

Of the ceremonial session it need only be said that the occasion was one of the most notable in the history of the Shrine. The class was very large, giving Moolah that wonderful start in



membership that has made it one of the famous temples of the Central States. By request of other temples, the Order was conferred upon many Knights Templar who were in St. Louis at the time, and the traditional banquet which followed was equally notable.

THIRTEENTH SESSION OF IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

Murat Temple of Indianapolis was the host of the Imperial Council June 20, 1887, when the attendance was even larger than at Cleveland, many of the temples sending delegations of considerable size. All but three of the Imperial officers were present at this session, and besides the large list of active members, twenty-one temples sent regularly chosen representatives. In his annual address Imperial Potentate Briggs said he had officially issued charters to the following Temples under date of June 28, 1886:

Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.
El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
Kosair Temple, Louisville, Ky.
Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo.
Osman Temple, St. Paul, Minn.
Palestine Temple, Newport, R. I.
Saladin Temple, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Tripoli Temple, Milwaukee, Wis.
Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, Minn.

A dispensation was granted, July 15, 1886, to Sir Alfred Paull and ten other Knights Templar to found Osiris Temple, at Wheeling, W. Va.

July 13, dispensation was granted Saltanat Temple, London, Ont.

October 13, a petition for dispensation was asked for Cairo Temple, at Oswego, N. Y., but owing to the inharmonious action of Ziyara Temple, of Utica, N. Y., the fee was returned and the dispensation denied.

March 29, 1887, Noble Edward C. Culp and others were granted a dispensation for Isis Temple, at Salina, Kan.

April 7, Noble Richard A. Ketner and others were granted a dispensation to form Abdallah Temple, at Leavenworth, Kan., and April 21, Noble George S. McConkey and others for Rameses Temple, London, Ont.

Hella Temple, Dallas, Tex., received dispensation through Noble Joseph K. Ashby and others. Noble Alexander Stevens and others received dispensation June 11 for the formation of Ballut Abyad Temple, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

In addition the Imperial Potentate reported that communications had been received regarding the establishment of temples at Kansas City, Mo.; Lyons and Clinton, Iowa; Staunton, Va.; Atlanta, Ga.; Fargo, N. Dak.; Lincoln, Neb.; and Brooklyn, N. Y.

During the year the Imperial Potentate officially visited the following Temples on the dates given:

September 22, 1886, Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo.
January 20, 1887, Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.
January 21, Acca Temple, Richmond, Va.
March 11, Saladin Temple, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Invitations to visit Aleppo, Syrian, Moslem, Palestine, and other temples were received, but owing to press of private business acceptance was impossible. In the official visits of the Imperial Potentate he was escorted by delegations from Mecca, Medinah, and Al Koran Temples.

IMPORTANT DECISIONS RENDERED

The following decisions were rendered at the request of the Temples named, for official interpretations of the law:

Saladin Temple: A Potentate of a temple has no authority to communicate the Order outside of his temple without special dispensation to that end.

Moolah Temple: Territories or States where no temples have been established are free territory, from which established temples may select material.

Ziyara Temple: Temples are empowered to open a session at any place within their jurisdiction to confer the grade. Special dispensation is not required except for other than regular meetings.

Kosair Temple and El Kahir Temple: "Cerneau Rite" Masons not Knights Templar are not eligible for the Shrine.

Moolah Temple: An installed officer (except Potentate) may resign, and his successor may be appointed or elected, and be installed by the Potentate.

Aleppo Temple: A protest against conferring the Order upon an applicant previously elected is lawful, and should be observed, no provision to the contrary existing in the by-laws.

Kaaba Temple: The right to object to the entrance of a visiting Noble to any temple is inherent with any member of such temple.

TITLE OF TEMPLE CHANGED

In accordance with the resolution against similar names of temples adopted at the last session, Pyramid Temple, of Davenport, Iowa, agreed to change its title, and on March 17, 1887, formally announced and proclaimed that it should be known, designated, and recognized as Kaaba Temple of Davenport, Iowa.

CANDIDATES OF ILLEGITIMATE SCOTTISH RITE BODIES

The following resolution, offered by Noble Charles T. McClenachan, was adopted:

"*Resolved*, That it is hereby declared as the meaning and intent of the last sentence of the first paragraph, Section XXX, which says, 'a Thirty-second Degree Mason of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of a regular Supreme Council of said Rite,' that it is and shall be strictly construed to mean the Supreme Councils for the Northern and for the Southern Jurisdiction of such Rite in the United States, and those Supreme Councils which are in amity with and are recognized by them."

The following resolutions, offered by Noble George P. Balmain, were referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws:

"*Whereas*, The Imperial Council, A. A. O. N. M. S., has declared by resolution that the only Supreme Councils of the A. A. Scottish Rite recognized by this Body are those of the Northern and Southern Masonic Jurisdictions of the United States of America, and the Supreme Councils in amity with them. Therefore be it

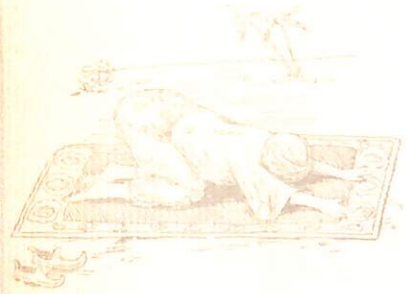
"*Resolved*, That it shall be an offense against the Order for any temple or Potentate to confer the Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine upon any one known to be a member of a Scottish Rite body not recognized by this Imperial Council as legitimate.

"*Resolved*, That the Imperial Recorder be instructed to notify all temples subordinate to this Imperial Council of this action within thirty days from date of this session."

NEW TEMPLES CHARTERED

Charters were granted to the following Temples:

Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kan.
Isis Temple, Salina, Kan.
Acca Temple, Richmond, Va.
Osiris Temple, Wheeling, W. Va.



Dispensations were continued for another year in the case of these temples:

Jerusalem Temple, New Orleans, La.
Rameses Temple, Toronto, Ont.
Hella Temple, Dallas, Tex.
Ballut Abyad Temple, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

It was also ordered that no charter be granted to Saltanat Temple, of London, Ont., and that its dispensation be recalled.

BROOKLYN FIGHTS FOR A TEMPLE

The Nobles of Brooklyn had been trying hard to obtain a temple of their own, and finally secured at this session the following unanimous recommendation from the Committee of Dispensations and Charters:

"*Whereas*, Your committee has received from the Imperial Potentate a petition from Nobles residing in the city of Brooklyn, N. Y., asking that necessary permission be granted to organize and establish a temple in their city, we, therefore, would respectfully recommend that a charter be granted."

The recommendation of the committee was considered, and after some discussion, was, on motion, adopted.

Discussion, however, ensued as to the regularity of the proceedings, and, on motion, the adoption of the recommendation was reconsidered. The whole matter, after further debate, in which the Brooklyn Nobles struggled bravely against the heavy odds of the Mecca Nobles resident in Manhattan, was referred back to the committee to be made the subject of a special report.

The majority, consisting of Nobles John T. Brush and James H. Thompson, finally reported negatively, in these words:

"Your committee, to whom was recommitted the matter of the petition from the Nobles from Brooklyn for a temple in that city, report that they have heard the arguments from the members of Mecca, from New York, and from the Nobles from Brooklyn. And whereas, the members from New York gave assurance that, if a dispensation was asked for in a regular manner at its next regular meeting in July, it would receive their sanction, we feel that, for the sake of harmony and the good of the Order, it would be better for this Imperial Council to refer the application back to the Nobles from Brooklyn for their further action.

"And your committee would recommend that the several petitioners be requested to make application for dispensation in the regular manner."

Noble Richard P. Marvin, Jr., reported as below:

"I believe the matter is properly before the Imperial Council, and that it should decide whether or not a charter should be granted."

When put to a vote of the Imperial Council, the minority report was rejected and the majority report adopted. The Brooklyn Nobles made the request of Mecca Temple as directed, and the charter of Kismet Temple, when issued, bore date of July 2, 1887.

At this session of the Imperial Council the word "Grand" was dropped from the title of Potentates of temples, having been previously dropped from the titles of the Imperial officers.

RECEPTION BY MURAT TEMPLE

When the Imperial Council adjourned it was to become the guest of Murat Temple at an elaborate banquet and entertainment which had been provided for the occasion, and in the preparations for which Illustrious Noble John T. Brush and his associates had been at work for days. The date was Monday, June 20, 1887.

At 6 o'clock in the afternoon the Imperial Divan, with a large number of visitors, were saluted by the Nobles of Murat Temple, headed by Illustrious Potentate Brush, and with bands playing were escorted through the principal streets to the grand Almasjid al Haram of the Temple, on South Pennsylvania Street.

Murat Temple was opened in full ceremonial form, and sixteen sons of the desert joined the caravan to Mecca and assumed the solemn Arab's vow. They were: S. C. Carey, O. W. Moorman, and E. J. Gantz, of Indianapolis; J. C. Suit, T. D. Jones, and A. S. Catherworn, of Frankfort; Walter Vail, A. S. Nichols, and A. G. Tillotson, of Michigan City; C. R. McCullough, of Huntington; B. G. Hudnut and Edward Gilbert, of Terre Haute; W. S. Kerlin, of Evansville; C. A. White, of Danville; F. S. Collins, of Seymour, and Nelson Bradley of Greenfield.

The ceremonies were rendered in the complete form of the ritual, and the entertainment lasted for three hours. The costumes and accessories were elaborate, and the work so beautifully done as to excite the admiration of all.

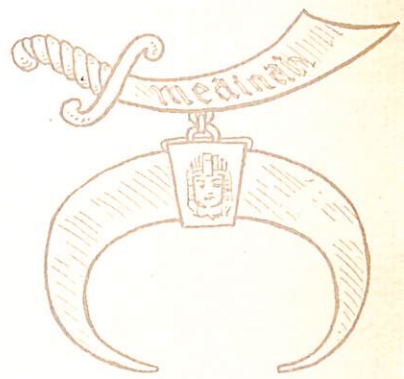
After the closing of the Temple, the name of every officer of the Imperial Council, and visitor, was called, and then in order of rank they were led to the banquet hall, where a memorable entertainment was provided by the eight committees among which the work had been proportioned.

About three hundred Nobles were seated at fifty tables, each seat designated with the name of the guest, and a menu of many courses was served, interspersed with music by an orchestra and the Chanters Al Koran.

Noble John T. Brush presided, and when the cigars had been lighted he delivered an eloquent welcome to "Our Guests." "His worth is warrant for his welcome" ran the toast list. Then followed in order:

"Ogniya Sahra"—Chanters Al Koran.
"The Imperial Council".....Sam Briggs, Al Koran
"Some are, and must be, greater than the rest."
"The Imperial Directory".....George W. Millar, Mecca
"Look to the helm, good master."
"The Expounders".....Charles T. McClenachan, Mecca
"Elsewhere he could right weel lay down the law."
"Ejl Holouahbb li."—Chanters Al Koran.
"The Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite".....
.....Brenton D. Babcock, Al Koran
"Should auld acquaintance be forgot."
"The Grand Encampment".....William H. Mayo, Moolah
"And days o' lang syne."
"Sabah el bi fatour li Biaz"—Chanters Al Koran.
"The Shrine".....Byron K. Elliott, Murat
"The rank is but the guinea's stamp,
The man's the gowd for a' that."
"The Sons of the Desert".....Joseph C. Suit, of the Class
"My joy lies onward, and my grief behind."
"Our Mystic Literature".....William B. Melish, Syrian
"From the hot clime
Of Arab deserts brought."
"The Salt of the Earth".....Joseph S. Wright, Lu Lu
"Norine Maurine."—Chanters Al Koran.
"The Arab".....William A. Stiles, Medinah
"Westward, Ho!".....Edward C. Culp, Isis
"The Falls North".....William H. S. Wright, Osman
"The Falls South".....William Ryan, Kosair
"The Moslems".....Ozias W. Shipman, Moslem
"Leile faiyib"—Chanters Al Koran
"Nomadic Reminiscence".....Joseph B. Eakins, Mecca
"The Caravan".....Henry E. Hosley, Aleppo
Presentation of the Tizkeer (souvenir).....John A. Holman, Murat

The tizkeer was presented to each and every guest. It was in the form of a medal, composed of Egyptian bronze, somewhat larger in diameter than a silver dollar. The medal bore on one



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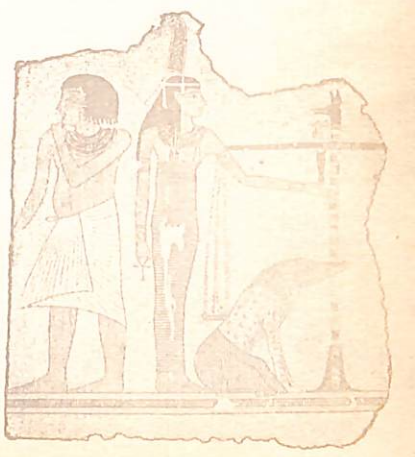


side the words, "Souvenir Murat, N. M. S. Imperial Council, Ramadan, June XX, 1887. Commemorating the Night of Power. To Noble [Crescent, with name of Noble engraved thereon]. Oasis of Indianapolis." On the reverse were the Egyptian and Persian national arms, the first with three crescents and stars, and the second with the rising sun and the lion couchant. Below appeared the ocean, with water craft of ancient character putting into the harbor, and the oasis of Indianapolis in the foreground. To the left, in the distance, was shown the desert, with a caravan of camels approaching the oasis, in the center of which was the Temple of Murat.

The Chanters Al Koran, who sang so beautifully during the evening, were Nobles O. W. Williams, John G. Blake, Ora Pearson, and Mahlon D. Butler, with T. W. S. Belcher as organist.

Nearly every part of the United States and Canada were represented at the festal board and prompted these lines by Noble Dennis:

Camels are coming from east and west,
From north and from south they glitter and shine,
Banners of silk and a gleaming crest
At the head of each long and brilliant line.
From precincts suburban
See caftan and turban—
The iris seems robbed of every hue—
Ne'er since Caliph Haroun
Has there come to a town
Such an awfully gorgeous retinue.

Ah, there rides an Emir
With steel at his femur,
A true old Damascus yataghan;
On great dromedaries
Are tall janizaries—
We're not like soon to see that again
Shayk, dervish, and imam
With most profound salaam
Respond to the greetings of every one,
And out from the van
Of each caravan
Comes a Nubian Mascot, Son of the Sun.

Camels are coming from south and west,
From sweet north lakes and old ocean's brine;
On Arabic toes long lances rest,
And pennons whirl in the airy wine;
Now as they come nearer
And one sees them clearer,
Nobles are they of the Mystic Shrine.

The invitation to this unique affair is still preserved by those Nobles who were fortunate enough to be present on that memorable occasion. A map of the desert of the Western Hemisphere was surrounded by Egytian representations of feasts, with obelisk, sphinx, pyramid, etc. It was twenty-eight by twenty-two inches in size, and the oases of all the temples were marked by long lines of caravans traveling to the Oasis of Murat.

FOURTEENTH SESSION OF IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

Toronto, Canada, was the oasis which had the honor of entertaining the fourteenth annual session of the Imperial Council, and the pilgrimage was marked by long caravans from various temples. The date was June 25, 1888. Headquarters were at the Rossin House, and the sessions were held in Al Beyt Ullahi 'l-Haram, Masonic Temple. All but four of the Imperial officers were present, and thirty-one temples were officially represented. Besides this there were present a large number of visitors.

In his annual address Imperial Potentate Sam Briggs reported the issuance of charters to the following by resolution of the thirteenth annual session:

Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kan.
Acca Temple, Richmond, Va.
Isis Temple, Salina, Kan.
Osiris Temple, Wheeling, W. Va.

Among the dispensations of the year were these:

To Noble E. S. Dudley as special deputy, June 18, 1887, to form Sesostris Temple, at Lincoln, Neb.

To Saltanat Temple, London, Ont., August 27, 1887, continuing the dispensation until this session of the Imperial Council.

To Moila Temple, St. Joseph, Mo., December 8, 1887, to communicate the Order at a special session for a special purpose.

The charter for Moila Temple is dated December 1, 1887, along with El Jebel, of Denver, Col., and Ararat of Kansas City, Mo.

To Noble Richard A. Ketner as special deputy, December 22, to install officers of Ararat Temple, Kansas City.

To Noble James W. Cook as special deputy, January 19, 1888, to communicate the Order for the establishment of Al Kader Temple, at Portland, Oregon.

March 26, 1888, Noble Halsey W. Lombard, of Tripoli Temple, was appointed a special deputy to communicate the Order to Sir W. N. Baldwin and five associates to establish Algeria Temple, at Helena, Mont.

Other dispensations issued for the establishment of temples during the year were:

July 2, 1887, to Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.; and the date of the charter of this Temple was made the same, thus ending with victory the fight made against it by some of the members of Mecca Temple.

November 5, 1887, to Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.
February 20, 1888, to Al Malaikah Temple, Los Angeles, Cal.
March 30, 1888, to Morocco Temple, Jacksonville, Fla.
April 3, 1888, to El Riad Temple, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

OFFICIAL VISITS OF IMPERIAL POTENTATE

During the year the Imperial Potentate made a number of official visits, and at most of them conferred the Order himself in his own inimitable style. Among the notable visits were these:

June 8, 1887, assisted by Divan of Syria Temple, Pittsburg, Pa, conferred Order at Erie, Pa.

June 29, Ziyara Temple, Utica, N. Y.

June 30, Moslem Temple, Detroit.

July and August, with Osman and Zuhrah Temple, of St. Paul, and Minneapolis.

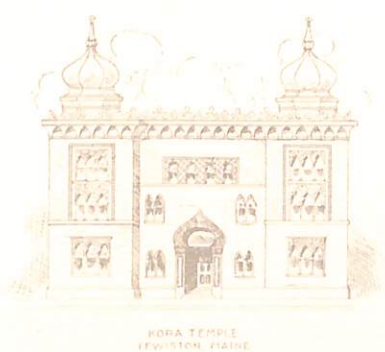
August 31, Mecca Temple, New York, on the occasion of the reception to Illustrious Noble John Worthington, Representative of the temples in the East.

January 25, 1888, to Hamilton, Ont., in the Oasis of Rameses Temple of Toronto.

January 30, to Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.

January 31, to Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Md.

March 5, to Bradford, Pa., conferring the Order upon forty-one candidates assisted by the Divan of Syria Temple, of Pittsburg.



March 23, to Medinah Temple, Chicago.

April 26, to Moslem Temple, Detroit, Mich.

June 4, 5 and 6, to El Jebel Temple, Denver, Col.

June 8, to Isis Temple, Salina, Kan.

June 9, to Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo., and Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kan.

June 10, to Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo.

During the year inquiries regarding the possible establishment of temples were received from Raleigh, N. C.; Wilmington, N. C.; Galveston, Tex.; El Paso, Tex.; Birmingham, Ala.; Memphis, Tenn.; and Nashville, Tenn.

APPRECIATION OF NOBLE WORTHINGTON'S SERVICES

In the annual address of the Illustrious Potentate is found this passage, which should be recorded in a history of the Shrine as an illustration of the appreciation of the many and long services rendered by Noble John Worthington.

"It was my pleasure during the past winter, with the assent of the Imperial Directory, to make amends for what appeared to me to have been an unfortunate oversight of the last Imperial Council. I allude to the services of Illustrious Noble John Worthington, the Representative of the Temples in the East, whose valuable correspondence has done so much to extend the influence of this Imperial body, and whose many acts of courtesy extended to members of the Order who journeyed toward the East and visited the historic island of Malta—where our representative has had his official residence for the past ten years—have endeared him to everyone who has had the pleasure of personally meeting him or who was aware of the facts.

"In view of these services, I felt it but proper that some recognition should be made, and I accordingly directed that the sum of $500 be forwarded to Illustrious Noble Worthington for his acceptance, and in reply our representative says: 'I cannot, I feel, fittingly say more than to inform you that . . . it is a most opportune gift. It lightens materially the load of debt I was leaving for doctors' services while ill in London. . . . I feel that I cannot thank your Imperial body sufficiently. I can only *try* to make you understand how sincerely and how gratefully I do thank you. *My heart is very full.* May Allah bless you and the noble Council . . . who did me this kindness! My life was well worth saving, if only that *I* might experience this high and fine act of goodness from my brother Nobles. Such an act as this stamps our Brotherhood at once as an example of what constitutes the very height of thoughtful and useful worth and excellence. I beg you to thank the Imperial Council for me, and in my name, and thank them warmly.'"

TRAVELING PASSPORT RECOMMENDED

"A traveling passport," said the Imperial Potentate in one portion of his address, "issued under the authority of the Imperial Council, under the Imperial seal and the signatures of the Imperial officers, should be substituted for the present unwieldy, and, for general purposes, practically useless diploma. And visitors should only be admitted upon presentation of such diploma, which should bear the *vise* of the Recorder of the subordinate temple, attested by its seal; and in cases where a visitor is not possessed of such passport he should only be admitted by absolute voucher.

"'And if any . . . shall demand protection of thee, grant him protection, that he may hear the word of the Prophet; and afterward give him a safe conduct, that he may return home again securely."—Surah IX.'"

The resignations of the following active members were received and accepted: Nobles Ezra S. Bartlett, Philadelphia, Pa.; Howard F. Hill, Montpelier, Vt.; and Ozias W. Shipman, Detroit, Mich.

The following Nobles were elected to fill the vacancies thus created: Frederick Leibrandt, Philadelphia, Pa.; William H. Herrick, Montpelier, Vt., and John B. Corliss, Detroit, Mich.

The number of active members was now 49; of past active members, 49; of emeriti members, 6; of representatives of temples in the East, 3. A total of 32 temples had been chartered and 16 others were under dispensation. The annual reports returned by the temples showed a total membership of 8169, a net increase for the year, of 3664, illustrating the rapid impetus which the Order had now gained.

Both Lu Lu and Medinah Temples extended invitations to become the host of the next session of the Imperial Council, and these invitations were referred to the proper committee. Invitations from Rameses Temple to participate in various entertainments and excursions which had been arranged in honor of the Imperial Council were gratefully accepted.

NEW TEMPLES CHARTERED

At this session charters were granted to the following Temples, which had been working under dispensation:

Algeria Temple, Helena, Mont.
Al Malaikah Temple, Los Angeles, Cal.
Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo.
El Jebel Temple, Denver, Col.
El Riad Temple, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
Hella Temple, Dallas, Tex.
Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.
Jerusalem Temple, New Orleans, La.
Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Morocco Temple, Jacksonville, Fla.
Rameses Temple, Toronto, Canada.
Sesostris Temple, Lincoln, Neb.

Dispensations were continued in the cases of Ballut Abyad Temple, Albuquerque, New Mexico; Al Kader Temple, Portland, Ore.; and Moila Temple, St. Joseph, Mo.

In the case of Saltanat Temple, of London, Ont., the dispensation was withdrawn upon recommendation of the Committee on Dispensations and Charters.

The Imperial Potentate had traveled about ten thousand miles on no other business than that of the Shrine, and upon the recommendation of the Committee on Finance and Accounts, he was paid not only his railroad fares, but was also allowed five dollars per diem while on such business.

A new constitution, rendered necessary by the rapid growth of the Order and the unexpected points which had been raised and decided by the Imperial Potentate and the Directory, was adopted at this session.

Provision for mileage and per diem of representatives was fixed at three cents a mile each way for the shortest distance by rail and five dollars per diem. The same allowance was made to the active members. Payments to active members aggregated $1637.22, and to representatives $597.24.

Majority and minority reports were made as to the place of the next meeting, the majority favoring Chicago, while the mi-

ALGERIA TEMPLE
HELENA MONTANA

AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE
LOS ANGELES, CAL.

nority wished to accept the hospitality of Moolah Temple, of St. Louis. When the matter came before the Imperial Council, Moolah lost and Medinah was chosen as the next host.

TRAVELING CARD AUTHORIZED

On motion of Noble Joseph B. Eakins, the Imperial Potentate and Imperial Recorder were empowered to design and procure a small traveling certificate for the use of Nobles, to be used in place of the present unwieldy diploma.

Among the Nobles who entered the Unseen Temple during the year and whose names were entered upon the record, was Illustrious Noble Cortes F. Holliday, Recorder of Murat Temple, and for many years Secretary of the Indianapolis Board of Trade. He was born September 28, 1844, received his first light in Masonry in 1872, later became Secretary of the Scottish Rite bodies in Indianapolis, and at Boston, in 1882, was crowned with the thirty-third degree. He was received into the Nobility in Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, November 17, 1882, and became a charter member of Murat Temple in 1884. His death occurred March 5, 1888.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH TEMPLES IN THE EAST

During the year letters were received, written in Arabic, Turkish, Persian, French, and German, from the following Nobles of the Temples opposite their names:

Osman ben Ganem, Djezzar Pasha Temple (Heykal), Akka, Syria.
Omar ben Kedia, Walee el Jemel Temple, Aleppo, Syria.
John Hornstein, Skander Temple, Alexandria, Egypt.
Abu ben Belot, Algiers Temple, Algiers, Algeria.
Rhodokanakis, Hassan Temple, Athens, Greece.
Yakoob el Mooruss, Rasheed Temple, Bagdad, Persia.
Haroon al Murad, Bardool Temple, Bassora, Persia.
Samuel Hallock, Libnan Temple, Beirut, Syria.
Chunder Sen Saeed, Brahm Temple, Benares, India.
Kiamil Adwee, Oorda Temple, Biskra, Algeria.
Mahmood ibn Maroodee, Mofrad Temple, Bokhara, Persia.
Omar ben Mallatah, Solyman Temple, Broosa, Asia Minor.
Zoolfiker Fauzee, Alee Pasha Temple, Cairo, Egypt.
John C. Brisson, Mohammad Temple, Cannes, France.
Mohmood Kayat, Kaf Temple, Constantine, Algeria.
Hassan ibn Ukreezee, Saladin Temple, Damascus, Syria.
Moomeen el Baraka, Beder Temple, Dayr el Kamr, Syria.
Hosayn ibn Bezzani, Bab el Jannat Temple, Fez, Morocco.
Gieuseffe Fagnani, Taala Temple, Genoa, Italy.
Henry Wilson, Mehakma Temple, Gibraltar, Spain.
Mavrogordato, Alee el Shahed Temple, Jaffa, Palestine.
Conrad Schick, Omar Temple, Jerusalem, Palestine.
H. J. Rustumjee, Kong-fu-tsee Temple, Kurrachee, India.
John Worthington, Valetta Temple, Island of Malta.
Charles L. Peyssonnel, Bokhara Temple, Marseilles, France.
Omar el Mitmen, el Rasool Temple, Mecca, Arabia.
Amroo el Nafee, Fadeel Temple, Oran, Algeria.
Thevenot, Mohammad Temple, Paris, France.
Bakree ben Taaleb, Lateef Temple, Port Said, Egypt.
William T. Parsons, Alee Temple, Rome, Italy.
C. Markanyan, el Rashid Temple, Smyrna, Asia Minor.
Maimoon ben Abdar, Masroor Temple, Suez, Egypt.
Narjeeb Meeyan, Firdausee Temple, Tabreez, Persia.
Fendee el Serk, Barkook Temple, Tangier, Morocco.
Henri Maillard, Omar el Kebeer Temple, Toulon, France.
Remayah ibn Majellee, El Bardo Temple, Tunis, Algeria.
Alessandro Bignola, Kemela Temple, Turin, Italy.
Abdullah ben Fyz, Yailah Temple, Tripolis, Algeria.

COMMUNICATION OF ORDER PROHIBITED

Until this time it has been permissible, under certain duly authorized conditions, to communicate the Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine upon certain Knights Templar, thirty-second or thirty-third degree Masons, preliminary to the forming of a new temple, and this was usually delegated to a Deputy. The growth of the Order was now such that the Imperial Potentate Sam Briggs, issued an edict, July 13, 1888, requiring that the Order be conferred only in full ceremonial form within the body of a legally constituted temple, and expressly forbid communication, unless allowed by dispensation, and all applications for this purpose must be accompanied by substantial reasons for the request.

FIFTEENTH SESSION OF IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

The fifteenth annual session of the Imperial Council was held at Al Beyt Ullah 'l-Haram of Medinah Temple, in Chicago, on the 18th day of the tenth Arabic month, Shawwal, A. H. 1306, corresponding to June 17, 1889 A. D. The importance of these annual assemblies had now become such that reduced rates were granted by the railroads within the territory of the Central Traffic Association, Trunk Line, and Western Passenger Association. The result was the gathering, not only of the Imperial Council and representatives, but also many Nobles and Arab patrols, and there was a marked development of pageantry in connection with the sessions of the Imperial Council.

In his annual address the Imperial Potentate was pleased to note that his edict, issued in July of the preceding year, prohibiting the communication of the Order except under emergent conditions, had aroused the officers of the subordinate temples to the importance of the ritual and accessories, until now there was not to his knowledge any temple which was not fully equipped and in condition to render the ceremonial as prescribed by the Statutes. Only seven dispensations were granted for the communication of the Order, and one of these was to ten Knights Templar of Tacoma, Wash., September 5, 1888, for the organization of Afifi Temple.

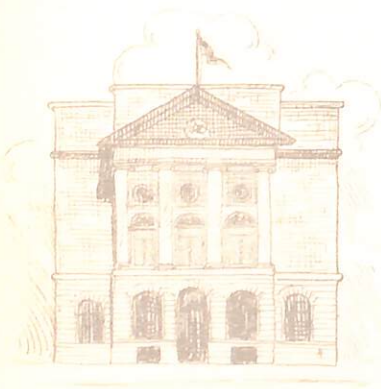
During the year the black camel had halted in front of the tent of Illustrious Noble Joseph Meyers Levéy, Imperial Treasurer, who entered the Unseen Temple, August 20, 1888. Suitable tribute was paid to the memory of Noble Levéy.

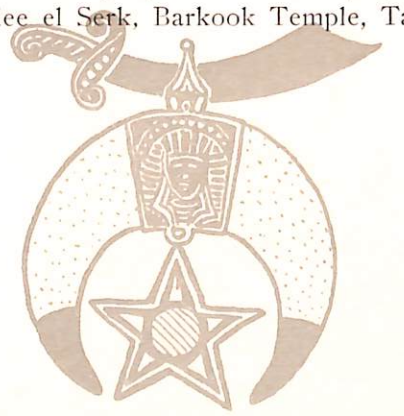
Others who entered the Unseen Temple included Noble John W. Simons, one of the thirteen organizers of Mecca Temple; Noble Theodore E. Haslehurst, charter member of Oriental Temple; Noble William H. Klinesmith, Treasurer of Boumi Temple, and Noble Hial O. Hatch, a charter member of Mount Sinai Temple, and Noble Samuel Harper, organizer of Syria Temple, and one of the first officers of the Imperial Council.

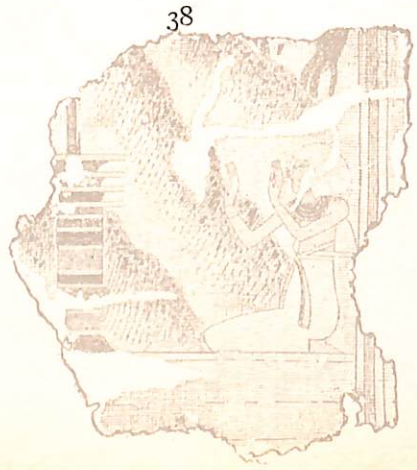
YELLOW FEVER AT JACKSONVILLE

The Jacksonville epidemic of 1888 was referred to by the Imperial Potentate in these words:

" 'The tokened pestilence, where Death is sure,' has made sad inroads upon the community where was located the youngest of our chartered Temples,—Morocco, at Jacksonville, Florida,—and







the history of the sad event is the most doleful chronicle of the year 1888. The scourge was most pitiful,—an entire city depopulated, the marts of trade laid waste, and naught to be seen in the silent streets but the wasting victim, the sad procession to the silent tomb, and the unwearying physician and the self-sacrificing nurse plying their merciful trade among those stricken down or unable to flee from the path of the fell contagion.

"The officers and members of Morocco Temple, aided by associate Knights Templar, organized themselves into a 'relief corps,' and, full knightly with their armor on, displayed the beauties of fraternal love and affection to all the suffering, irrespective of race, creed, or affiliation.

"Illustrious Noble Baldwin, the Recorder of Morocco Temple, himself a physician, fell a victim in the combat against the destroyer, while his associates, Mallett, Ely, Dunn, and McLain, equally braving the danger, carried on the work of charity so well begun and stoutly maintained, until

"'The icy fang and churlish chiding of the winter's wind drove the grim demon of Despair back to his hiding place.'"

"Well and nobly were the labors of this grand quintet aided by the Fraternity throughout the land, to whom no appeal for aid was ever made in vain. Brother, Companion, Frater, Noble, all vied with one another in the grand work, and a steady stream of needed supplies poured forth from every town, village, and hamlet, with funds aggregating nearly eleven thousand dollars, which went to this "Templar Relief Corps" alone.

"The acknowledgments received classify the contributions to this noble humanitarian work as follows:

Commanderies	$5,904.50
Temples	2,769.25
Individuals	1,080.10
Lodges	730.00
Total	$10,483.85

"A special committee should, I think, make suitable recorded recognition in the Minutes of this Council."

JOHNSTOWN FLOOD RELIEF

"Another calamity equally calling for our sympathies and material aid, has occurred within our borders, the loss of life and property, and the incident distress, being well known to us all. I have presumed upon the sentiment of this Imperial Body, and have directed the sum of five hundred dollars to be forwarded for the relief fund at Johnstown, Pa.

"Thus far there have been contributed for the relief of the Johnstown sufferers the following amounts:

Imperial Council	$500
Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth	50
Aleppo Temple, Boston	100
Al Koran Temple, Cleveland ($200 through local committee)	300
Almas Temple, Washington	25
Boumi Temple, Baltimore	50
El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids	50
Kismet Temple, Brooklyn	50
Kosair Temple, Louisville	25
Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia ($500 through Grand Lodge Pennsylvania)	775
Mecca Temple, New York	250
Murat Temple, Indianapolis	100
Oriental Temple, Troy	50
Osiris Temple, Wheeling	50
Osman Temple, St. Paul	100
Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport	100
Sesostris Temple, Lincoln	25
Syria Temple, Pittsburg	200
Tripoli Temple, Milwaukee	50
Total	$2,850

NOTABLE DISPENSATIONS ISSUED

Among the dispensations granted during the year were these:

September 5, 1888, to Noble Frank S. Hastings, Director Abdallah Temple, to institute Afifi Temple, Tacoma, Wash.

April 19, 1889, to Past Potentate Joseph K. Ashby, Hella Temple, to institute Sahara Temple, Pine Bluff, Ark.

Dispensation was granted El Jebel Temple of Denver, to confer the order at Salt Lake City, Utah, October 8-9, 1888.

It having been discovered that through oversight Syria Temple, of Pittsburg, was still working under a dispensation issued May 9, 1877, a charter having been authorized but not issued through inadvertence, a charter was issued, bearing proper date, and sent to the Temple, January 7, 1889.

Upon the withdrawal of the dispensation of Saltanat Temple, of London, Ont., as directed by the last session of the Imperial Council, the members thereof were remanded to their former allegiance in Moslem Temple, Detroit.

April 19, 1889, dispensation was issued to form Tangier Temple, at Omaha, Neb.

The Imperial Potentate reported that negotiations were pending for the consent of Palestine Temple, of Newport, for the formation of a temple at Providence, or the removal of Palestine Temple from Newport to Providence. The matter was referred to Imperial Assistant Rabban Hosley, March 24, 1889, and while favorable progress was reported, no definite conclusion had been attained.

The consent of the nearest temple was denied in the case of requests from Moberly, Mo., and Topeka, Kan. Little Rock joined with Sahara Temple at Pine Bluff. Osceola, Iowa, wanted a temple, but the consent of the nearest temple was reported doubtful. Nothing had developed with reference to the requests for temples at Chattanooga, Nashville, and Memphis, Tenn., and Atlanta, Ga.

OFFICIAL VISITS OF IMPERIAL POTENTATE

Official visits were made by the Imperial Potentate as below:

June 26, 1888, Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.

September 20, 1888, Aleppo Temple, Boston, Mass.

October 22, 1888, Acca Temple, Richmond, Va.

November 20, 1888, Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, Ohio (inspected by Imperial Chief Rabban James H. Thompson).

November 30, 1888, Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.

January 18, 1889, Mt. Sinai Temple, Montpelier, Vt.

January 29, 1889, Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Md.

January 30, 1889, Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.

February 20, 1889, El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

February 27, 1889, Tripoli Temple, Milwaukee, Wis.

March 6, 1889, Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.

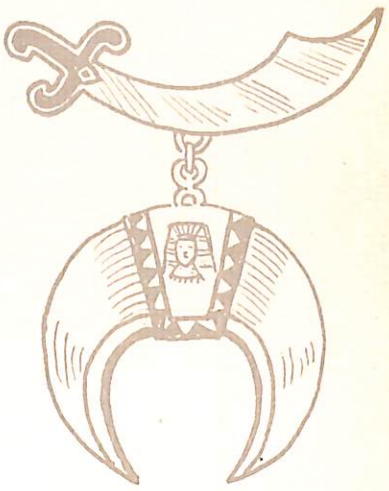
March 7, 1889, Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn.

March 29, 1889, Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo.

April 26, 1889, Kosair Temple, Louisville, Ky.

April 27, 1889, Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio.

May 13, 1889, Cyprus Temple, Albany, N. Y.



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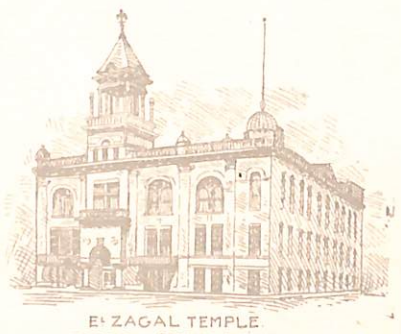

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FARGO NORTH DAKOTA

DECISIONS OF IMPERIAL POTENTATE

ALEPPO TEMPLE: "A protest against conferring the Order upon an applicant previously elected is lawful, and should be observed, no provision to the contrary existing in the by-laws."

AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE: "After a candidate has been declared elected, any subsequent objection should be required to be filed in writing, which must stand. If, however, the candidate should have been elected at an earlier meeting and should not present himself for the Order until a later period, and at that latter occasion an objection should be raised by a Noble who had, in the interim, been elected, and had received the Order — in that case I should overrule the objection."

ALGERIA TEMPLE: "After an applicant has been declared elected as the result of a ballot had at a session, either regular or at a special call for the purpose, due notice of which has been given, such election must stand, unless a subsequent objector shall give his objections in writing, or state them privately to Potentate, who shall be sole judge of the sufficiency thereof."

MOOLAH TEMPLE: "An offense committed by a Noble, which has caused his suspension or expulsion in any Order membership in which is a prerequisite to this Order, such suspension or expulsion must similarly affect his standing in this temple."

ISLAM TEMPLE: "A dimitted Knight Templar or Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Mason, not under suspension or expulsion, or under charges preferred, is in good standing, and eligible to receive this Order."

ALMAS TEMPLE: "The petition of an applicant being placed in the hands of your 'Committee of Five' (who pass upon all petitions) at a regular meeting of your temple, and such committee indorsing his application, no objection could be entertained adverse to his receiving the Order, other than a *written protest* to be filed with the Recorder *before* candidate is *summoned* for the ceremony."

"An application rejected by your committee could not be again presented for thirteen (13) weeks, but your committee could reconsider their action sooner, should they elect so to do."

ALMAS TEMPLE: "A rejection holds good for thirteen (13) weeks. A written protest lasts forever, if writer (protester) does not revoke before his decease. A verbal protest or objection is of no effect, and is neither binding on temple nor Potentate. A petition may be withdrawn by consent of temple; otherwise, applicant must be elected, rejected in the usual manner provided by the law of the temple, or protested as herein set forth."

STRENGTH OF THE ORDER DECEMBER 31, 1888

The report of the Imperial Recorder showed the total membership in the Order to have now grown to 10,377. During the year 1888, 2881 new Nobles had been created in temples, 79 had affiliated or had been restored to membership, and 181 had become charter members of temples under dispensation. Losses were 66 by death, 191 by dimits, 68 by suspension, and 4 by expulsion.

The invitation of Islam Temple, San Francisco, to become the host of the next session of the Imperial Council, was accepted.

An appropriation of $500 was made for the relief of the sufferers by fire in Seattle, Wash. The matter was officially reported by Illustrious Potentate F. B. Gault, of Afifi Temple, Tacoma, June 7, in which he said:

"Yesterday, in the midst of our preparation for our ceremonies and banquet to-night, the news came that 'Seattle is burning up.' Later tidings only increased the gravity of the situation. To-day, a live, prosperous city of twenty-five thousand people is in ruins. Not a business building in the city was left intact. An area of one and a half miles long and four blocks wide was swept over by the flames. The mills, depots, wharves, all the banks—everything was consumed. Our Nobles were among the first to extend practical aid. One sent a boat load of provisions and supplies. Others have given large sums of money, and are aiding the relief committees in the various ways that liberal hearts and large means suggest.

"Under the circumstances, we deemed it advisable to abandon our observances for this evening. Many of our Nobles live in Seattle. I was there on Tuesday, and they and their ladies were enthusiastic over this reception. Among the many other minor misfortunes incident to the great calamity, Afifi Temple has had its disappointment. We had eight novices from Seattle, and in all a class of twenty or twenty-five."

Acknowledgment of the donation of the Imperial Council was received in these words:

OLYMPIA, July 10, 1889.

MR. JAMES MCGEE, *Acting Treasurer, Imperial Council, A. A. O. N. M. Shrine, New York City.*

ILLUSTRIOUS SIR AND FRATER: Some time since I received through Illustrious Potentate F. P. Gault, of Afifi Temple, at Tacoma, draft for five hundred dollars, donation of the Imperial Council for Seattle sufferers. And while due acknowledgment was made at the time to him for the handsome donation, I take it that it is not out of place at this time to return to the Imperial Council, through you, our grateful appreciation for this act of charity and deed of pure benevolence—one which we can never forget, as it came to us at a time when our hearts were sorely tried, and were indeed bowed down. But God has been good to us in our affliction, and sent us friends indeed.

This is but another instance of the good of grand Masonic institutions. And may it never grow less!

Again, in behalf of the Brothers of the Mystic Tie and Nobles of the Shrine, permit me to thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Yours fraternally,

T. P. DYER.

DOORS CLOSED ON CERNAUISM

The following change in the ritual was proposed by Noble George R. Metcalf, in order to settle forever the question of the standing of members of the so-called Cernau rite:

"*Resolved*, That on page 19 of ritual, at end of the third line, there be added the following words:

"'Of the obedience of the Supreme Councils of the Northern and Southern Masonic Jurisdictions of the United States, or of some Supreme Council in communion and amity with these, and recognized as legal and lawful by them; nor will I, at any subsequent time, unite myself to any so-called Scottish Rite body which may be pronounced illegal and clandestine by the Imperial Council of the Mystic Shrine.'"

NEW TEMPLES CHARTERED

On recommendation of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, charters were granted to the following Temples under dispensation:

Afifi Temple, Tacoma, Wash.

Al Kader Temple, Portland, Ore.

Ballut Abyad Temple, Albuquerque, New Mex.

Moila Temple, St. Joseph, Mo.

The dispensations of Sahara Temple, Pine Bluff, Ark., and Tangier Temple, Omaha, Neb., were continued for another year, and the matter of granting a dispensation for a temple at Moberly, Mo., was referred to the Imperial Potentate for his consideration and action.

COMPLAINT AGAINST MEDINAH TEMPLE

The Committee on Grievances made the following report:

"The only matter brought before your committee was a complaint from Salaam Temple against Medinah Temple, regarding the conferring of the Order of the Shrine by the latter temple upon petitioners within the jurisdiction of Salaam.

"This matter was, at the last hour, brought before your committee, and proper time has not been afforded us to investigate a charge of so serious a nature.

"The Potentate of Medinah Temple was summoned to appear before your committee, and stated that copies of the charges had not been received by him or his Recorder, and he was not prepared to properly submit a reply during the time which could be given by your committee.

"Your committee recommend that this matter be referred to a special committee, with instructions to make a full examination, and be prepared with a recommendation at the next annual session of the Imperial Council."

This recommendation was adopted, and Nobles Joseph B. Eakins, Edward C. Culp, and George P. Balmain were appointed as a special committee, they comprising the Committee on Grievances.

TRIENNIAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Imperial Council then entered upon the triennial election of officers, with the following result:

SAM BRIGGS, Imperial Potentate, Cleveland, Ohio.

HENRY E. HOSLEY, Imperial Deputy Potentate, Boston, Mass.

WILLIAM B. MELISH, Imperial Chief Rabban, Cincinnati, Ohio.

THOMAS J. HUDSON, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Pittsburg, Pa.

JOHN T. BURSH, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, Indianapolis, Ind.

BRUCE GOODFELLOW, Imperial Oriental Guide, Detroit, Mich.

JOSEPH S. WRIGHT, Imperial Treasurer, Philadelphia, Pa.

FRANK M. LUCE, Imperial Recorder, Chicago, Ill.

WILLIAM H. MAYO, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, St. Louis, Mo.

WAYLAND TRASK, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Brooklyn, N. Y.

CYRUS W. EATON, Imperial Marshal, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

EDWARD C. CULP, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Salina, Kan.

CHARLES L. FIELD, Imperial Outer Guard, San Francisco, Cal.

THEODORE ELMENDORF, Imperial Assistant Guard, Cleveland, Ohio.

The thanks of the Imperial Council were extended to Noble George W. Millar for his attention to the duties of Imperial Treasurer since the death of Noble Joseph M. Levéy.

CHANGES IN THE LAW

The following recommendations of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws were adopted:

OBJECTION AFTER BALLOT

"After a candidate has been declared elected, any subsequent objection or protest must be filed in writing, and must stand. Said objection shall be entered upon the minutes, and shall have the same force and effect as a second black ball, and shall prevent a reconsideration of the matter for thirteen weeks."

REPRESENTATIVES

"Your committee recommend that Article III, Section 1, of the Constitution, be changed in the second sentence so as to read as follows, and as suggested by the Imperial Potentate:

"Each Temple shall be further entitled to one additional representative for every three hundred members, and one for each fraction over three hundred members, in its number of membership; but no Temple shall be allowed more than four representatives."

REPRESENTATIVES ELECTED ANNUALLY

"Your committee note the decision, made during this session by the Imperial Potentate, that representatives are elected for three years, which appears to conflict with the intention of the Constitution, and they submit the following amendment, which will lie over one year, under the rules:

"*Resolved*, That Section 2 of Article III of the Constitution be amended to read:

"'The representatives shall be chosen as follows. Each temple shall *annually* elect by ballot,' etc."

JURISDICTION AND CONSENT OF TEMPLES

"In the matter of jurisdiction of Temples and consent of nearest Temples, your committee are of the opinion that new legislation is needed, and will submit amendments, which will lie over for a year under the rules, as follows:

"*Resolved*, That Section 2, of Article XIII of the Constitution shall be amended to read:

"'No dispensation shall be issued unless the petition shall be submitted to the nearest temple of the Order in the State or Territory; but, in the event of a refusal of said nearest temple to grant consent, it shall be within the power of the Imperial Potentate to grant said dispensation without said consent, should he deem it for the best interests of the Order to do so. When an application for a dispensation in unoccupied territory is received,' etc., as now printed.

"*Resolved*, That the following be added to Section 1 of Article XIV of the Constitution.

"*Provided*, also, that this Imperial Council may declare concurrent jurisdiction between all temples in States where more than one temple exists, should it appear for the best interests of the Order to do so, but only after said disputing temples have failed to agree upon concurrent jurisdiction or an equitable division of territory.'"

SIXTEENTH SESSION OF IMPERIAL COUNCIL

The sixteenth annual session of the Imperial Council was held at Pittsburg, Pa., on Nahar el Etnin, the fourth day of the eleventh Arabic month of Dhu 'l Kaada, 1307 A. H., corresponding to June 23, 1890 A. D. At the previous session of the Imperial Council, which was held at Chicago, the invitation of Islam Temple, of San Francisco, to be the host of the Imperial Council at its sixteenth annual session, was accepted. However, the finances of the Imperial Council in the early spring of 1890 were such that it did not seem possible successfully to meet the expenses of the representatives for the long journey to San Francisco and return, as the matter of mileage would run into many thousand dollars, which the condition of the treasury would not justify. This matter was put very clearly to the Nobles of Islam Temple, and a change in the meeting place was made to Pittsburg, Pa., with Syria Temple as host, and headquarters were established at the Monongahela House. Those who were present at that session will recall that the weather was the hottest ever known in Pittsburg during the month of June, and the suffering of the representatives, as a consequence, was intense.

ISMAILIA TEMPLE
TEMPORARY HEADQUARTERS
BUFFALO, N.Y.

OASIS TEMPLE
CHARLOTTE, N.C.

MURAT TEMPLE
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

All but two of the Imperial officers were present when the Imperial Council convened, and the active membership was almost fully represented. A large number of the Nobles of the Order who were visitors were also present during the session.

The Imperial Council was opened and the usual ceremonies were observed, and, after a solemn invocation by the Imperial High Priest and Prophet, the Imperial Potentate, Noble Sam Briggs, delivered his annual address.

The Imperial Potentate called the attention of the assembly to the removal — August 19, 1899 — of Palestine Temple from Newport to Providence, R. I., this matter having been intrusted, at the last annual session, to Illustrious Deputy Imperial Potentate Henry E. Hosley, who accomplished the task in a manner satisfactory to all of the Nobles of Palestine Temple.

The question of jurisdiction in Nebraska was also settled, the State having been divided between Tangier Temple, at Omaha, and Sesestris Temple, at Lincoln. As an instance of the good fellowship existing in the Order, both these temples, jointly, made a pilgrimage to Hastings, Neb., for a most glorious observance of the ceremonies of the Order, and both entered heartily into the spirit of the hour.

NEW TEMPLES FORMED

Dispensations for temples were granted by the Imperial Potentate as follows:

September 15, 1899, to Sir George C. Connor, and others, for Alhambra Temple, at Chattanooga, Tenn.

November 13, 1899, to Illustrious Rufus E. Fleming, and others, for El Zagal Temple, at Fargo, N. Dak.

November 21, 1899, to Illustrious John S. Alford, and others, for Yaarab Temple, at Atlanta, Ga.

A dispensation was also granted to Illustrious Francis M. Bishop, and others, for El Kalah Temple, at Salt Lake City, Utah; and to Illustrious Clarence S. Scott, and others, for El Katif Temple, at Spokane, Wash.

The Imperial Potentate recommended the granting of charters to Tangier Temple, at Omaha, Neb.; also to Alhambra, El Zagal, and Yaarab Temples.

The official visits of the Imperial Potentate during the year included Ismailia Temple, at Buffalo, N. Y., and Alhambra Temple, at Chattanooga, Tenn., which was established by the Illustrious Potentate in September, 1899; also Almas Temple, at Washington, D. C.

Al Koran Temple, at Cleveland, Ohio, was inspected by Imperial Assistant Rabban T. J. Hudson, while Charles H. Heaton, Special Deputy, inspected Oriental Temple at Troy, N. Y., and Henry E. Hosley, Deputy Imperial Potentate, officially inspected Almas, Acca, Boumi, and Lu Lu Temples.

IMPORTANT DECISIONS RENDERED

Among the decisions made by the Imperial Potentate were these:

ALHAMBRA TEMPLE: "Every temple is sovereign in its own jurisdiction, whether under charter or dispensation, and no applicant resident in such jurisdiction can apply elsewhere without the consent of the temple."

KOSAIR TEMPLE: "The right to object to any visiting member is inherent with every Noble in good standing, but no member in good standing in his temple can be expelled, or ordered out, at the request of another member, except upon charges made, trial, conviction, and sentence. Neither would a temple have the right to take such steps except by the action of the Imperial Council. Any member in good standing in his temple has equal rights with any other member, and nothing can endanger this right, except he fall under suspension, expulsion as a Knight Templar, or a thirty-second degree Mason, and in which case I would certainly rule that his membership in this Order be similarly affected."

DAMASCUS TEMPLE: "A Potentate cannot resign after having been duly elected and installed; neither can he be forced to accept re-election after having served one term."

FINANCES OF IMPERIAL COUNCIL

Making reference to the financial condition of the Imperial Council, the Illustrious Potentate said:

"It became apparent that the selection of San Francisco as a place of meeting was a mistake; and I firmly believed that the best interests of the Order demanded a change in this particular; even after protests had been made and objections raised, I deemed it to be not only imperative and wise, but my solemn duty, to call a special meeting to deliberate upon the financial condition of the Order. . . .

"This body is a National Assembly, having for its object the good of all concerned; and, consequently, the more representatives we may gather at our annual sessions, the more thorough and satisfactory will our work be.

"If this Order is to be placed upon an enduring foundation, it will be largely by reason of wise legislation. The day when the individual representative put his hand in his own pocket to defray legislative expenses of his temple has gone by; a business rule now governs and is engrafted on the Constitution and By-laws. While a session held at any point within our jurisdiction entails extraordinary expenses upon some, certainly a session held at any other point than a central or convenient point would entail much more expense, and a consequent smaller attendance, which conditions certainly are not desirable. A brief statement of our financial condition will show where we are drifting.

"At the beginning of the year we had a balance in the treasury of about $11,000. Our receipts during those twelve months were about $9,700, and the output during that same period amounted to nearly $13,300, leaving a balance in the treasury of nearly $7,400.

"It will readily be seen, in the light of former experience, what the condition of the treasury will be in the near future. And with this view of our affairs continually before me, and the knowledge that our Institution is an expensive one to maintain, I determined to call a meeting in this city to discuss the financial condition of our Order.

"Article III, section 6, of the By-laws recites how mileage shall be paid, but no provision is made, or source defined, from which the revenue for such purpose shall accrue, and which may be devoted to mileage and per diem purposes. A diploma fee is $2. The annual dues (per hundred members) are $10. A temple of two hundred and fifty members creates five new Nobles. Thirty dollars dues and fifty dollars diploma fees send out a representative whose mileage and per diem equals or exceeds this amount, and the Imperial Council has not received a mill of contribution from this subordinate temple toward the actual running expenses.

"Now, I would suggest, as a measure of relief, that each subordinate temple be required to pay (per hundred members) $20

INDIA TEMPLE
OKLAHOMA, CITY

as annual dues, and no temple shall pay less than thirty dollars per annum, and that the diploma fee shall be increased to four dollars; that one-half of the revenue from this source be devoted to mileage and to this per diem expense; that no representative, or representatives, shall be entitled to mileage beyond one-half the aggregate amount paid to the Imperial Council for annual dues and diploma fees, by such temple as he, or they, represent."

The annual report of the Imperial Recorder showed the total number of the members of the Imperial Council to be 73, with the number of temples chartered to date 48. The number of temples under dispensation was 5. The number of Nobles, December 1, 1888, was 10,377. During the calendar year ending December 31, 1889, there was an increase of 3,583 members, less a decrease of 322 members by death, dimit, suspension, or expulsion, leaving the total number of members in good standing, December 31, 1889, 13,368.

The complaint made by Salaam Temple, at Olney, Ill., against Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill., and which was referred at the last session of the Imperial Council to a special committee, was reported as having been satisfactorily adjusted. The Potentates of both temples appeared before the committee and seemed disposed to come to some harmonious conclusion as to the jurisdiction of the respective temples. According to the statement of Illustrious John A. Hay, Potentate of Medinah Temple, since the last session of the Imperial Council, there has been no apparent clash between these two temples; at the same time Salaam Temple has done no work except upon one candidate. The committee therefore recommended that all work heretofore done be considered as having been done in good faith, and, considering the geographical situation of Salaam Temple, which gives it jurisdiction over two-thirds of the State of Illinois, they recommended to the Imperial Council that concurrent jurisdiction be given to these two temples in that State. The recommendations of the committee were adopted by the Imperial Council.

CHARTERS GRANTED

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, charters were granted to the following temples:

Alhambra Temple, Chattanooga, Tenn.
El Zagal Temple, Fargo, N. Dak.
Sahara Temple, Pine Bluff, Ark.
Tangier Temple, Omaha, Neb.
Yaarab Temple, Atlanta, Ga.

At the last session of the Imperial Council a resolution was introduced for the appointment of a committee of five for the purpose of revising the ritual; and this matter being brought before the Imperial Council for action, the Imperial Potentate announced the following committee: Illustrious Nobles John W. Boyle, Cyrus W. Eaton, Thomas J. Hudson, George C. Connor, and William B. Melish.

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

Niagara Falls was selected as the place for the next annual meeting of the Imperial Council; and in accordance therewith, the seventeenth annual session of the Imperial Council was held at Niagara Falls, N. Y., on Nahar el Etnin, the second day of the eleventh Arabic month of Zolkada, 1308 A. H., corresponding to June 9, 1891 A. D.

All but two of the Imperial officers were present at the opening, and nearly all of the active members.

The number of visitors was large, the time being favorable for a pilgrimage of the Nobles to Niagara Falls and the railroads having been especially liberal in regard to rates.

The Illustrious Imperial Potentate reported that dispensations for temples had been granted during the year as follows:

November 10, 1890, to George S. Obear, and others, for the formation of Zamora Temple, at Birmingham, Ala.

March 19, 1891, to Richard H. Huntington, and others, for the formation of Media Temple, at Watertown, N. Y.

April 18, 1891, to Bun F. Price, and others, for the formation of Al Chymia Temple, at Memphis, Tenn.

June —, 1891, to Charles S. Morse, and others, for the formation of Ben Hur Temple, at Austin, Texas.

Correspondence looking to the establishment of temples had been had with interested persons at Des Moines, Iowa; Winnipeg, Manitoba; Ogdensburg, N. Y.; Erie, Pa.; Galveston, Texas.

ZIYARA'S CHARTER HELD UP

The Imperial Potentate reported that the charter of Ziyara Temple, at Utica, N. Y., had been held up because of violation of the Constitution in taking members from outside its jurisdiction, including two from Ohio who had been several times rejected by Al Koran Temple, at Cleveland, Ohio.

It was also charged against Ziyara Temple that the initiation fee had not been enforced; that fees had not been properly paid to the Imperial Council; that the Potentate had violated his obligations to the Imperial Council; that he had not performed his duty as prescribed by the Constitution; and that the annual returns had not been properly made.

The Imperial Potentate recommended the incorporation of the Imperial Council in order that the present style and title be held exclusively, and in order that the body might be enabled to own property, should it become necessary so to do.

The report of the Imperial Treasurer, Joseph S. Rice, showed an improved state of the finances of the Order; the balance of cash on hand, May 30, 1891, being $10,563.47.

The Imperial Recorder reported the number of active members of the Imperial Council to be 71; the number of temples chartered to be 53; and the number of temples under dispensation 5. The total number of Nobles, December 31, 1890, was 16,980, showing an increase of over three thousand members during the year.

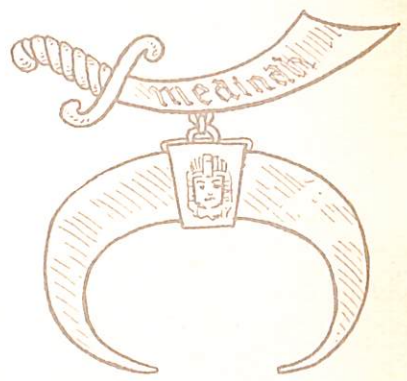
The Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws recommended that the matter of incorporation be made a special matter for the next session.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations recommended that no charters be granted; but that dispensations be continued in the cases of the following temples:

Al Chymia, Memphis, Tenn.
El Kalah, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Media, Watertown, N. Y.
El Katif, Spokane, Wash.
Ben Hur, Austin, Texas.

and after discussion the committee was allowed to alter its report so as to grant charters to the following:

El Katif Temple, Spokane, Wash.
Media Temple, Watertown, N. Y.



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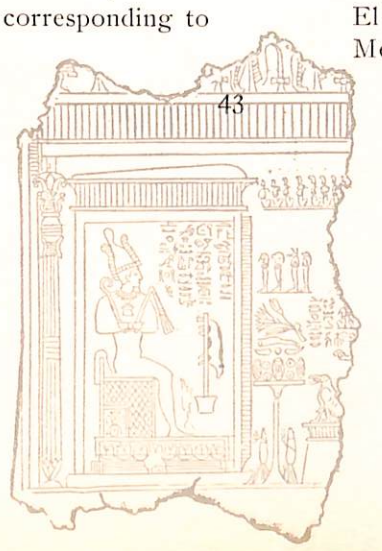

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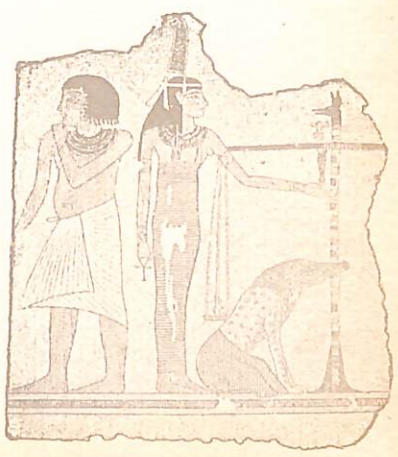
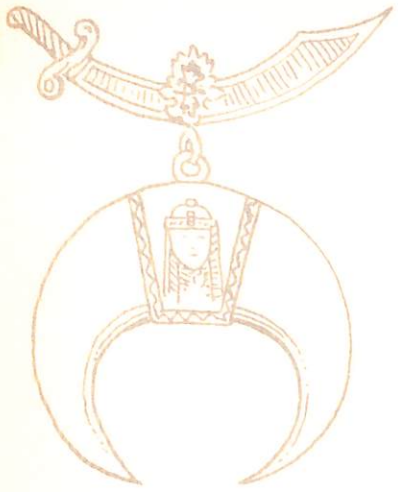




whereupon the report, as amended, was adopted, and charters were accordingly issued to these two temples.

The Committee on Ritual made its report, but further consideration was postponed until the next annual session.

CHARGES AGAINST POTENTATE BOYLE IGNORED

In the matter of the suspension of the charter of Ziyara Temple, at Utica, N. Y., the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws split. The majority report was signed by Nobles William B. Mosler, William H. Male, and Joseph L. Dobben, they being of the opinion that the laws of the Imperial Council had been violated by Ziyara Temple in regard to the question of territorial jurisdiction, and supported the Imperial Potentate in his action of the suspension of said charters. The committee recommended that the action of the Imperial Potentate be endorsed, and that the charter of Ziyara Temple be restored upon the payment of all sums due.

The minority report was signed by George W. Millar and Charles W. Cushman, in which they stated that they favored the opinion of the Potentate in that John W. Boyle had been guilty of conduct unbecoming a member of the Imperial Council in committing a violation of the law, and recommended that a committee of three members of the Imperial Council be appointed to investigate said charges, and that same be reported at the next session of the Imperial Council. The minority committee further recommended that said John W. Boyle be suspended from the office of potentate, and that Ziyara Temple be put in the hands of its Chief Rabban until such time as its charter shall be restored to it. When the ballot was taken, it resulted in 41 being in favor of the majority report, 24 opposing. The majority report, therefore, restoring the charter of Ziyara Temple, upon payment of its dues, and ignoring the charges against the Potentate, was adopted.

The Imperial Council adopted a resolution declaring as official the Arabic calendar prepared by Charles A. Hillar, of Salina, Kan.

Resolutions were adopted extending the thanks of the Imperial Council to Ismailia Temple, at Buffalo, N. Y., for the entertainment of the Imperial Council during its session at Niagara Falls.

Upon the petition of Charles W. Torrey, George O. Tyler, and A. L. Rossin, they were restored to the rank of Emeriti Members of the Imperial Council. The name of Charles T. McClenachan was added to the number of Emeriti Members.

Invitations for the next session of the Imperial Council were received from Syrian Temple, at Cincinnati Ohio, and from Tangier Temple, at Omaha, Neb.

SESSION HELD IN OMAHA

Four members of the committee reported in favor of Cincinnati; one member in favor of Omaha, Neb. When these reports came before the Imperial Council for action, the majority report was rejected and the minority report was adopted, after being amended so that the dates should be fixed for the Monday following the Grand Encampment of the Knights Templar of the United States at Denver, Col.

The eighteenth annual session of the Imperial Council was therefore held at Omaha, Neb., on Nahar el Etnin, the 21st and 22d days of the first Arabic month of Moharrum 1310 A. H., corresponding to Monday and Tuesday, August 15 and 16, 1892 A. D.

The sessions were held in Free Masons' Hall. The attendance was unusually large, and the number of visitors was greater than at any session which had been held west of the Alleghany Mountains. Knights Templar, returning from the triennial conclave in Denver, stopped over at Omaha to join in the festivities incident to the sessions of the Imperial Council, as many of these Knights Templar were also Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Only two of the Imperial officers were absent from their stations when the Imperial Council was called to order, and almost a complete roll of members was noted.

The Imperial Potentate was pleased to point out the wonderful increase in the popularity of the Mystic Shrine, there being sixty-two temples and a total of 22,789 Nobles within the jurisdiction of the Imperial Council at the time the Imperial Potentate made his address.

NOTED DEAD OF THE YEAR

It was a painful duty of the Imperial Potentate to call the attention of the Body to a number of notable members of the Order who had entered the Unseen Temple since the last annual session. Among these were :

William Jermyn Florence, 32°, Grand Shareef of Mecca Temple, and Representative of Temples in the East, died at Philadelphia, Pa., November 19, 1891. Noble Florence was one of the founders of the Order.

Others of the noted dead were :

David Kalakaua, 32°, King of the Hawaiian Islands, a Noble of Islam Temple, died at San Francisco, Cal., on January 29, 1891.

Mohammed Tewfik Pasha, Viceroy, Khedive of Egypt, Shareef Sultan of the Shrine at Cairo, Egypt, died at Cairo, January 7, 1892.

Edward Mitchell, 33°, Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Ontario, a Noble of Al Koran Temple, at Cleveland, Ohio, died at Buffalo, N. Y., February 22, 1892.

William Franklin Baldwin, 32°, Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Ohio; also a Noble of Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, Ohio, died at Mount Vernon, Ohio, on April 3, 1892.

Charles H. Harris, 32°, a Noble of Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill., died on May 4, 1892.

COMBINATION OF MASONIC AND SHRINE EMBLEMS FORBIDDEN

The Imperial Potentate, under date of June 1, 1892, had issued an edict prohibiting the proposed parade of the members of this Order at Denver, Col., during the triennial conclave of the Knights Templar in which he held that the Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine is not a Masonic Institution, and has nothing in common with the Order of Knights Templar except in so far that members of the latter may become initiates in the former; and he deemed it manifestly improper that any display of the Ancient Arabic Order should be made on Masonic occasions like the triennial conclave.

The charter of Syria Temple was restored on July 14, 1891, the officers of that temple having complied with the conditions imposed upon it by the Imperial Council at their last session.

Dispensations were granted to F. T. Falkner, and others, for the formation of Kora Temple, at Lewiston, Maine, December 14, 1891; to A. K. McMoslan, and others, for the formation of Zem

Zem Temple, at Erie, Pa., December 22, 1891; to O. A. Harrison, and others, for the formation of Hamasa Temple, at Meridian, Miss., May 26, 1892.

A petition was received June 29, 1891, for a dispensation for the establishment of Al Hassan Temple, at San Antonio, Texas, from Henry F. Ellis, and others. But this dispensation was not granted, as Hella Temple, of Dallas, Texas, in whose jurisdiction the new temple was to be, did not consent.

A petition was also received March 20, 1892, from John P. Staffner, and others, for the establishment of Bismillah Temple, at Bristol, Va., which would be within the jurisdiction of Acca Temple. The latter temple not consenting, however, this dispensation was refused.

A petition was also received from Noble C. E. Rondenberg, for the establishment of a temple at Columbus, Miss., but this petition was received about the same time that a similar request was made for a temple at Meridian, Miss., when the Imperial Potentate, upon noting the location and the relative importance of the two cities, issued a dispensation to Meridian, it being the larger and more centrally located.

Correspondence, had also been had with reference to the establishment of temples at Deadwood, S. Dak.; Reading, Pa., and Asheville, N. C.

INSTITUTION OF ZEM ZEM TEMPLE

On the 13th of April, 1892, the Imperial Potentate instituted Zem Zem Temple at Erie, Pa., at which time he was accompanied by one hundred and fifty members of Al Koran Temple at Cleveland, Ohio, and about one hundred members of Syria Temple at Pittsburg, Pa., also about eighty members of Ismailia Temple at Buffalo, N. Y.

The occasion was quite a notable affair. The cohorts of the various temples under the command of the Illustrious Chief Rabban Moses J. Carrel of Al Koran Temple; Illustrious Charles W. Cushman, Potentate of Ismailia Temple, and Illustrious Thomas J. Hudson, Potentate of Syria Temple, were marshalled in line in front of the Reed House at Erie, and, headed by Collier's Band, marched to Cabel's Hall, where preparations had been made for the institution of the temple. The initial work was performed by the officers of the visiting temples, the ceremonies in the first, second, and third sections being exemplified by Syria, Ismailia, and Al Koran Temples, respectively.

A class of fifty-three novices made the journey over the hot sands of the desert, and at the conclusion of the ceremonies all the Temple Nobles proceeded to Mannerchor Hall, where an elaborate banquet was served. Music and speech-making were interspersed after the courses.

OFFICIAL VISITATIONS

Official visits were made by the Imperial Potentate to Syrian Temple, at Cincinnati, Ohio; Alhambra Temple, at Chattanooga, Tenn.; Yaarab Temple, at Atlanta, Ga.; Zamora Temple, at Birmingham, Ala.; Murat Temple, at Indianapolis, Ind.; Medinah Temple, at Chicago, Ill.; Syria Temple, at Pittsburg, Pa.; Lu Lu Temple, at Philadelphia, Pa.; Mecca Temple, at New York, N. Y.

"Lu Lu Temple," the Imperial Potentate reported, "has purchased a building formerly used for church purposes, and one not knowing its former uses, would never suspect that it was not erected and intended for the especial purposes and objects of the 'Shrine.'" . . "No amount of pen description" he reported, "could furnish any adequate idea of the thorough fitness of the building and its appliances for the purposes to which it has been adapted, not only as a building eligibly and centrally located, but it is situated so as to guarantee perfect immunity from annoyances from the outside. The trustees have accumulated other property immediately adjoining the present building, by means of which they propose to enlarge and beautify their already perfect home."

ALGERIA TEMPLE
HELENA MONTANA

DEATH OF THE HAWAIIAN KING

As an appendix to the address of the Imperial Potentate, he transmitted obituaries of the noted dead of the year. This included a sketch of the life of David Kalakaua, King of the Hawaiian Islands, who died at the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, Cal., June 20, 1891. His Majesty was a member of La Loge l'Oceanique, F. & A. M. of Honolulu, under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Grand Council (Thirty-third degree), France, a companion of the Royal Arch Chapter of the Grand Council of the United States, an Honorary Member of the Thirty-third Degree Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Free Masonry of the Supreme Council for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States; a Knight Templar, and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, which latter order was conferred on him in full form on Wednesday evening, January 14, 1891, by Islam Temple. He was born at Honolulu, on the Island of Oahua, November 16, 1836, being the eldest son of C. Kapaakeac, a native chief, who it is erroneously supposed was connected by blood with the Kamehamehas, who were the reigning families in 1862. Kalakaua was married to a Mohammedan lady — Kapolani — and her father was one of the earliest converts to Christianity. Kalakaua was elected King on the 12th of February, 1874, by the legislature, and immediately ascended the throne contrary to the wishes of the people. The legislature was in favor of Queen Emma, but after taking their seats they were induced to give their votes to Kalakaua. This they did, and an immediate revolt was inaugurated and the life of Kalakaua was threatened. In the midst of the trouble a file of marines, who had just landed from an English vessel, proceeded to Queen Emma's palace on the double-quick. The natives, believing it the intention to place Kalakaua on the throne, were thus thrown off their guard and quickly overpowered. Queen Emma died in 1885.

In 1874 the American government sent an invitation to his Majesty to visit the United States, and the United States steamship "Vincennes," under the command of Captain Hopkins, was placed at his disposal. The object of his visit was to establish the reciprocity treaty between Hawaii and the United States. He sailed from Honolulu on November 17, 1874, and arrived in San Francisco on the 29th of the same month, being the first reigning king to become a guest of the American Republic. His mission was successfully accomplished, and he returned home in 1875 after a three months' tour of the various points of interest. In 1880 he made a tour of the world with becoming ceremonies.

The funeral ceremonies of the late King were conducted by the American Government in a fitting manner. For the first time in the history of the United States a King had died on the soil of the great American Republic, and it was therefore considered fitting that the obsequies should be given with every honor commensurate with the importance of the occasion. Representatives of the Federal States and municipal governments vied with each other in making the scene one long to be remembered by those who witnessed it, while the Knights Templar, of which the King was a conspicuous member, paid their last tribute of respect to his memory.

AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE
LOS ANGELES, CAL.

ARARAT TEMPLE
KANSAS CITY, MO.

It was shown by the annual report of the Imperial Recorder that the number of temples chartered up to July 13, 1892, was fifty-six, with six temples under dispensation, a total of seventy-eight active members of the Imperial Council; four Emeriti members, and three representatives of temples in the East. The total number of Nobles in the Order, December 31, 1891, was officially reported to be 21,127. There had been created during the year in temples 4,563 Nobles, 185 by affiliation, and 13 have become charter members of temples under dispensation. During the year, 186 Nobles were called to the Unseen Temple, 345 dimitted, 81 suspended, and two expelled.

IMPORTANT AMENDMENTS MADE

A number of amendments to the Constitution and By-laws were reported by the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, one of which fixed the representatives to Imperial Council at one representative for each temple, but each temple shall be allowed two representatives when its membership reaches three hundred; three when its membership reaches six hundred, and four when its membership reaches nine hundred, but no temple shall be allowed more than four representatives. This met with considerable opposition on the floor; Noble John T. Brush suggesting a substitute — which was lost — providing that two representatives should be permitted when the membership reaches three hundred; — one additional representative for each additional membership of three hundred.

An addition to the By-laws was also made requiring that any person who applies for the Order shall be an actual resident of the territory of temple to which he applies for at least six months.

Another important amendment was made to Article XXV, Section I where the number of black balls necessary to reject a candidate was changed from one to three, as expressed in the following resolution presented at the session of 1891:

"*Resolved*, That a man who has been subjected to the rigid scrutiny appertaining to the Blue Lodge Chapter and Commandery or of the Scottish Rite Degrees, is entitled to be protected on application to the Shrine from the ignominy of rejection by the single vote which may be cast under erroneous impressions, or at times in malice, and shall, therefore, require three black balls to reject an applicant hereafter."

The Imperial Council rejected the proposed amendment to the By-laws in regard to making the initiation fee fifty dollars instead of twenty-five dollars.

ENTERTAINMENT PURSE FOR NOBLE WORTHINGTON

An appropriation of five hundred dollars was made for the purpose of entertaining visiting Nobles who were on their way to Jerusalem. This was to be placed at the disposition of Noble John Worthington, deputy representative of the temples in the East, as his own income was not adequate to meet the extra demands made upon it from the wandering sons of the desert, who were overcome by illness and were compelled to rest awhile in the tent of the Illustrious Associate stationed in the East.

NOBLE MELISH BECOMES IMPERIAL POTENTATE

The election of officers for the Imperial Council for the ensuing year was held with the following result:

WILLIAM P. MELISH, Imperial Potentate, Cincinnati, Ohio.

THOMAS J. HUDSON, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Pittsburg, Pa.

CHARLES L. FIELD, Imperial Chief Rabban, San Francisco, Cal.

FRANK LOCKE, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Boston, Mass.

JOHN T. BRUSH, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, Indianapolis, Ind.

LOU BURT, Imperial Oriental Guide, Detroit, Mich.

JOSEPH S. WRIGHT, Imperial Treasurer, Philadelphia, Pa.

FRANK M. LUCE, Imperial Recorder, Chicago, Ill.

LOUIS P. ECKER, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, Richmond, Va.

RUFUS E. FLEMING, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Fargo, N. Dak.

THOMAS J. BISHOP, Imperial Marshal, Greenbush Heights, N. Y.

GUSTAVE ANDERSON, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Omaha, Neb.

H. M. SPALDING, Imperial Outer Guard, Denison, Texas.

Cincinnati, the home of the new Imperial Potentate, was selected as the place for the holding of the next annual session of the Imperial Council, and an invitation was also received from El Kalah Temple of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, charters were granted to Zem Zem Temple, Erie, Pa.; Kora Temple, Lewiston, Maine; Al Chymia Temple, Memphis, Tenn.; Ben Hur Temple, Austin, Texas; El Kalah Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The dispensation of Hamasa Temple, at Meridian, Miss., was continued for another year.

A dispensation was granted to Naja Temple, Deadwood, S. Dak.; Rajah Temple, Reading, Pa., asked for a dispensation, but Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, opposed it. The committee reported in favor of granting a dispensation, however, and the Imperial Council so ordered.

A number of Nobles residing in Topeka, Kan., asked for a dispensation, but action was postponed until the next annual session.

FURTHER ACTION ON COMBINED EMBLEMS

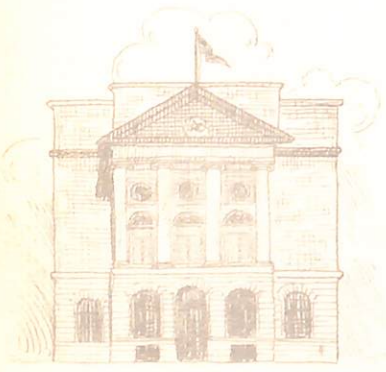
An amendment to the By-laws was adopted as follows:

"The combining of the emblems of other secret orders or societies with the jewel of the Shrine is deemed inappropriate, and is therefore prohibited.

"The wearing of the fez and jewel of the Order upon occasions other than meetings of the Temples of the Arabic Order, or gatherings of Shriners under the authority of some legal body of the Order, is ill advised, and the Potentates are expected to prevent such action on the part of their members."

The above action was the result of a somewhat similar one taken at the Triennial Encampment of the Knights Templar held in Denver the week before. It had become a custom of many Shriners to suspend from the Tiger Claw Crescent of the Order, the Double Eagle of the thirty-second degree, or the Cross and Crown of the Knights Templar. It had also become a practice among the Knights Templar to add to the baldric the Tiger Claws and the Double Eagle of the thirty-second degree.

At the Grand Encampment of the Knights Templar a By-law was established preventing the wearing of anything but the red cross on the white baldric, and the Imperial Council of the Shrine at the following meeting in furtherance of this movement, prevented the combination of the Shrine jewels with those of the Scottish Rite, York Rite, or of any other secret order. This By-law obtains to-day, and the jewels of the Masonic Order, or of any other Order, are never combined with those of the Shrine.



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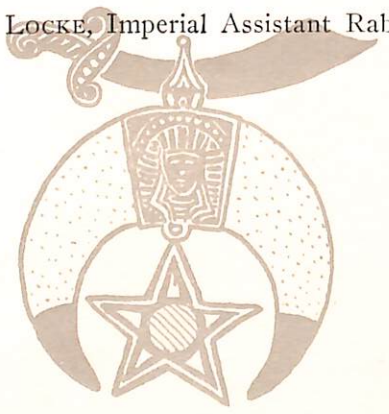

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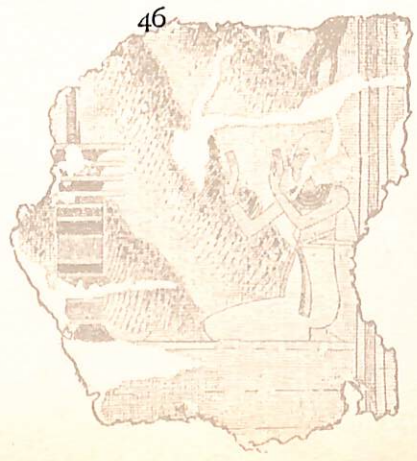


Noble John W. Boyle, from the Committee on Ritual, offered the following :

"*Resolved*, That it is deemed unwise to adopt the ritual presented to this Council at the last annual session of the Imperial Council, and the same is hereby rejected."

On the adoption of the foregoing, a resolution was also adopted empowering the Imperial Council to appoint a Committee on Ritual to meet in Cincinnati and to investigate and report the matter in detail at the next annual session — the result of their deliberation — of which committee the Imperial Potentate was made *ex-officio* Chairman. This committee consisted of a member from each State represented in the Imperial Council.

An appropriation of $2,500 from the Imperial treasury was voted to procure a fitting testimonial to Illustrious Sam Briggs, the retiring Imperial Potentate.

FIRST ELABORATE NIGHT PARADE

The Nobles of Syrian Temple of Cincinnati, had made long and active preparations for the nineteenth annual session of the Imperial Council, which convened in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Cincinnati, — Nahar el Etnin, the 28th and 29th days of the eleventh Arabic month, Dhu 'l Kaada, 1310 A. H., corresponding to Tuesday and Wednesday, the 13th and 14th of June, 1893 A. D.

The city of Cincinnati was brilliantly decorated and illuminated for the occasion, especially along the route of the parade, which was given at night for the first time in the history of the organization. Four thousand Nobles were in line.

The entertainment offered by the Nobles of Syrian Temple was disposed with lavish hospitality, for which the citizens of Cincinnati have always been noted; and, being the home of the Imperial Potentate, no pains were spared to make the occasion a most memorable one.

Only one of the Imperial officers was absent from his station when the Imperial Council convened.

IMPERIAL POTENTATE'S ADDRESS

In his annual address Imperial Potentate Melish said :

" We celebrate to-day the greatest cycle of our history. In the growth of the Order the number of its initiates has been magnificent. The summary of the returns of the temples under date of December 31, 1891, showed a membership of 21,127, and during the year 1892, 6,570 have been added. These figures are brought down to the first of the present year, as our returns are all figured up to January 1 of each year.

" Since January 1 we have had occasion to add to this number about two thousand, making a total membership to date of nearly, if not quite, thirty thousand. The increase in our membership is largely in excess of that of any year in our history. But our income is larger, and the future seems to hold out even brighter prospects. It is a magnificent and marvelous record, excelling that of any other secret organization of equal age and character of membership in the world."

Dispensation was granted for the formation of India Temple, at Oklahoma City, Okla.

Requests were made for the establishment of temples at Marquette, Mich.; Columbus, Ohio; Wichita, Kan.; and Charleston, W. Va.; but the necessary consent from temples already having jurisdiction had not been obtained.

VISITS BY IMPERIAL POTENTATE

Official visitations by Imperial Potentate Melish were made to Damascus Temple, Rochester, N. Y., Ziyara Temple, Utica, N. Y., on the occasion of its meeting at Binghamton, N. Y.; Cyprus Temple, Albany, N. Y.; Aleppo Temple, Boston, Mass.; Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rajah Temple, Reading, Pa.; Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.; Mecca Temple, New York City; Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.; Moslem Temple, Detroit, Mich.; and Syria Temple, Pittsburg, Pa.

SUSPENSION OF IMPERIAL RECORDER

The Illustrious Potentate also incorporated in his address these remarks :

" On or about February 7, 1893, it became necessary to appoint some one to act as Imperial Recorder for the balance of the Shrine year, or until the next session of the Imperial Council. I accordingly appointed Illustrious Noble William H. Mayo, of Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo. The Illustrious Noble entered upon the duties of his office, while deprecating the necessity of his appointment, yet realized the necessity of accepting the responsibility and conducting the affairs of the office in the interests of the Order. To those who have known Noble Mayo for years as a member of this Imperial Council, and have recognized his signal ability — as Grand Secretary for many years of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Grand Chapter, and Grand Council of Missouri — I need not speak in detail of the painstaking attention to his new duties since the day of his appointment. He will present his report as Acting Imperial Recorder, and I am certain that it will meet with your approval. In requesting Noble Mayo to assume the duties of Imperial Recorder, I agreed that his salary should be at the rate of $1,000 per annum, about which I ask the approval of the Imperial Council.

" The announcement of an ' Acting Imperial Recorder ' brings me to the only matter that has detracted from the otherwise unalloyed pleasure of my official relations with the Nobility of the Shrine as their Imperial Potentate.

" On February 4, 1893, Noble Frank M. Luce, over his signature, and in his capacity of Imperial Recorder, published, —

" (' To the Order and to the Nobles of Mystic Shrine and to the public generally ', and mailed to a large number of people the following circular *(the italics are ours)*:

IMPORTANT ! READ CAREFULLY !

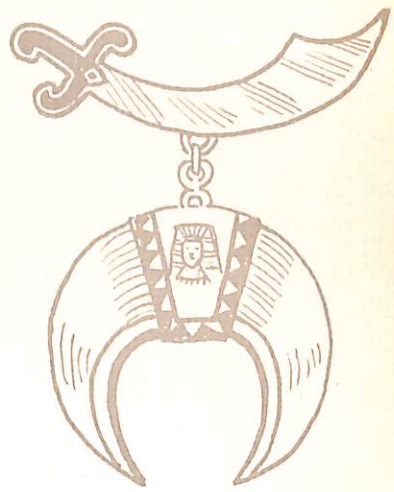
Our Imperial Potentate — William B. Melish — has issued a List of Temples and Officers under date of February 21, 1893, *without my consent*, and has attached a memorandum thereto, stating that the list issued by the Imperial Recorder, under date of January 23, is not correct.

No list has been issued by me.

I sent our Imperial Potentate a proof which was to be corrected and returned to me, but he has never done so. I am extremely sorry that our Imperial Potentate has cast this slur upon me, and I do not believe that the potentates, recorders, and representatives of the temples will uphold him in such a *contemptible, mean trick*. The list issued by him is not correct, in many particulars; I will issue a list this day which I know to be correct. Potentates, recorders, and representatives are respectfully requested to use the list issued under my office under date of February 4th, which is correct. Yours in the Faith,

FRANK M. LUCE,
Imperial Recorder.

" No copy of the above order was sent to the Imperial Recorder, nor to either of the representatives of the Temple at Cincinnati, nor to either of its officers," said the Imperial Poten-



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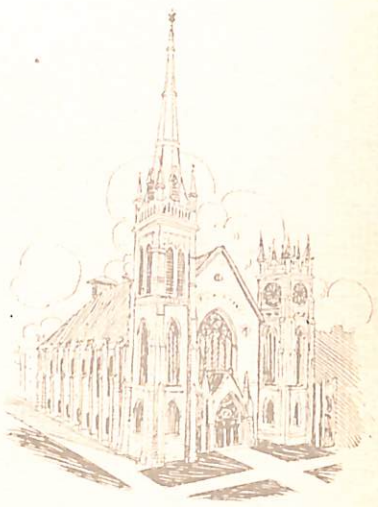

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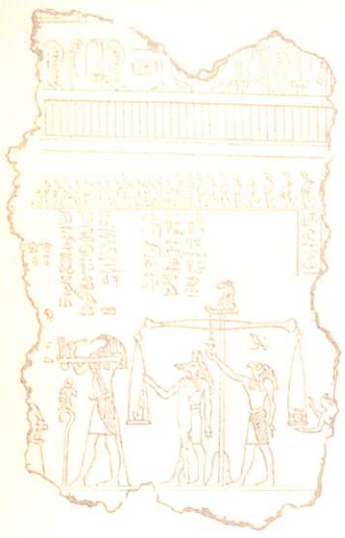


tate. "Upon receipt of a copy of the circular by the hand of a member of the Imperial Council, and considering the issuing of said circular and the improper language and tone of it to be the culmination of a number of like acts of insubordination by the Imperial Recorder, I suspended Frank M. Luce from the Office of Imperial Recorder by the following official edict :

FRANK M. LUCE, Esq., *Imperial Recorder of the Imperial Council, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America, Chicago. Illinois.*

IMPERIAL and ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE: — You are hereby, by virtue of this my official edict, suspended from the office of Imperial Recorder of the Imperial Council for North America, for violation of the law, neglect of the duties of your office, and disobedience of orders issued by me as Imperial Potentate.

This suspension will remain in force until the next session of the Imperial Council unless sooner revoked. I will give directions for the disposition of the Imperial property, now in your charge, in a few days.

Done under my hand and seal, this seventh day of February, 1893, in the city of Cincinnati, Ohio.

W. B. MELISH,
Imperial Potentate.

(Seal)

"On the same day that I notified Noble Luce of his suspension I telegraphed to each Potentate in our jurisdiction, notifying each of them of my official act, and requesting them to await my official edict.

"On February 7, 1893, I issued my official proclamation as follows :

IMPERIAL EDICT NO. 1

Office of the Imperial Potentate,
CINCINNATI OHIO, February, 7, 1893.

To the Officers of and Representatives to the Imperial Council, A. A. O. N. M. S., for North America, and to all Potentates and Nobles of all the Temples of the Order.

GREETING: *Whereas*, The Imperial Recorder, Noble Frank M. Luce has repeatedly violated the laws of the Imperial Council, and has flagrantly disobeyed the orders of the Imperial Potentate; and

Whereas, The said Imperial Recorder has issued a circular headed: "Important ! Read Carefully !" said circular containing false and malicious statements, and which is in itself an act of grave insubordination and disrespect to the Imperial Council and Imperial Potentate; and

Whereas, The issuing of circulars, or letters, to members of the Order by the Imperial Recorder, acting as such, without the permission of the Imperial Potentate, is beyond the powers, rights, and prerogatives of his office, as in direct violation of an order given him to that effect;

Therefore, By virtue of the power vested in me, as Imperial Potentate for North America, I do hereby suspend the said Imperial Recorder, Noble Frank M. Luce, from office until the next session of the Imperial Council.

Illustrious Noble William H. Mayo, Masons' Hall, St. Louis, Mo., is hereby appointed to act as Imperial Recorder until the next session of the Imperial Council.

Done on the day and at the place first written above,

WILLIAM B. MELISH,
Imperial Potentate.

(Seal)

REASONS FOR SUSPENSION

"Frank M. Luce was suspended from office for three (3) reasons:

"1. Neglect of the duties of his office as Imperial Recorder.

"2. Violation of the law of the Imperial Council.

"3. Disobedience of orders issued by me as Imperial Potentate.

"It is therefore necessary that I report to the Imperial Council the specifications of the three charges in detail. I have avoided newspaper discussions of this unfortunate affair, and have made no answer to the grossly improper circular letter and pamphlet issued by Noble Frank M. Luce since his suspension from office, for the reason that the Imperial Council itself is the only tribunal under our law which can pass upon the matters of law and usage, and any attempts to influence its judgment by an unauthorized publication of its affairs are highly pernicious and calculated to foment discord and dissension among the Nobility of our Order. I will present the facts as briefly as possible, referring to original papers only, and to such papers as have been reported to me over the signature of Noble Luce himself. I will 'nothing extenuate, nor set down aught in malice.'"

The Imperial Potentate here quoted several letters written to Noble Luce. In one of these, insisting upon economy, he suggests that bids be secured and competition obtained, especially in the matter of the printing of the annual proceedings. The Imperial Potentate claimed that in the face of a bid of $180 for this work, the Imperial Recorder presented a bill for $282, and averred that no competition was had in the printing of the diplomas. The Imperial Recorder wrote in answer to one of the Imperial Potentate's letters thus: "Don't try to run me ; I am not built that way !"

Considerable salty correspondence was exchanged between the two officials, in one of which letters Noble Luce said :

"I will get the printing of this office done wherever I please, and it is none of your business what printers I patronize; and on the other hand, you can get your printing done in Japan, if you so desire. I don't care."

Noble Luce also added :

"I expected that this year would be smooth and pleasant; that you and I could get along well together; but if you keep up the same racket that you have commenced, I am afraid that you have run up against a snag."

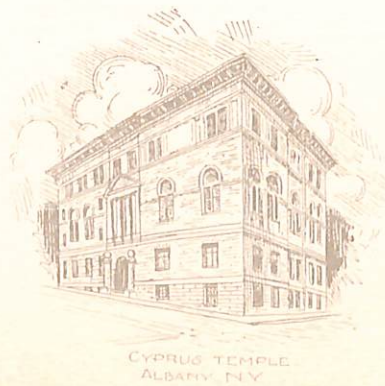
The Illustrious Imperial Potentate took this language to be entirely without excuse and not to be tolerated.

The Imperial Potentate also alleged that the Imperial Recorder had made no records of the Imperial Council, and that the Body had no book, or record, of minutes. The printed proceedings, he said, were the only records, and if errors appeared in them, there were no original records to refer to.

Over a considerable space the Imperial Potentate recounted his controversy with the Imperial Recorder. Noble Melish charged that the Imperial Recorder collected $1,302 during the thirty days immediately prior to the last session of the Imperial Council in Omaha, not one cent of which was paid over to the Imperial Treasurer.

In presenting his annual report, Illustrious Noble Luce said that he desired to answer the Imperial Potentate's charges through a committee. His report showed sixty-one chartered temples and four temples under dispensation, with a total membership of 27,161. During the calendar year the increase in the membership had been 6,034.

The acting Imperial Recorder, Noble Mayo, reported that he had been unable to hear directly from Noble Luce in answer to his request for the books and papers to compile the reports of the Imperial Council, and that he had made contracts direct with St. Louis houses for certain printing, as the lithograph stones could not be obtained, Recorder Luce claiming them as his property, according to a letter reported to have been received from the lithographing house in whose custody they were.



REINSTATEMENT OF IMPERIAL RECORDER LUCE

The whole matter of the suspension of the Imperial Recorder was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, which reported that after duly considering the facts in the case they believed the Imperial Potentate fully justified by law and precedent in the course adopted by him. The committee was of the unanimous opinion that during the interim of the sessions of the Imperial Council the Imperial Potentate is by the Constitution endowed with the same powers as the Imperial Council itself.

Noble J. L. Dobbin, a member of the committee, moved the adoption of the report as read, approving the action of the Imperial Potentate and suspending the Imperial Recorder.

Noble John C. Smith, of Medinah Temple, moved as an amendment that the action of the Imperial Potentate be disapproved.

Noble Sloan moved as a further amendment that the report of the committee be adopted as read. This motion was put to the Imperial Council and was lost by a vote of 47 ayes to 75 nays.

The Imperial Potentate declared the motion to adopt the report of the committee lost, which had the effect of reinstating Imperial Recorder Luce and disapproving the action of the Imperial Potentate in suspending him from office.

INGOLD CASE REPORTED

Under the heading of " Grievances and Appeals " the Imperial Potentate reported that Eugene Ingold, a former Noble of Kismet Temple, at Brooklyn, appealed from the action of the Kismet Temple in expelling him from the Order. He was initiated on April 27, 1888, and July 13 of the same year he was expelled. He claims that his expulsion was made without notice, or opportunity to be heard. Kismet Temple informed Mr. Ingold of his expulsion by letter, stating that he was expelled by order of Illustrious Potentate Sam Briggs, for the reason that he had been thrice rejected from Syria Temple in Pittsburg within the past two years, and had failed to make the fact known upon applying to Kismet Temple. Since 1892 Mr. Ingold claimed that he had tried several times to have the papers reviewed and the case reopened. As the decision made and the order issued which was claimed to be the act of the Illustrious Sam Briggs during his incumbency as Imperial Potentate, Noble Melish, in his official capacity, declined to review the case, believing that the case should be brought before the Imperial Council, to which Mr. Ingold now appealed.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals in the matter of the appeal of Eugene Ingold against Kismet Temple, of Brooklyn, reported that it appeared that no charges or specifications were ever filed in Kismet Temple against the appellant; that no summons or citation was ever issued or served upon him; that no trial was had, and no defense was presented, and no opportunity to defend himself before the temple was accorded to Ingold. The action of Kismet Temple controverted the letter and spirit of the law, and the committee recommended the adoption of a resolution to " declare null and void the action of Kismet Temple in expelling Eugene Ingold." The report of the committee was finally adopted.

WORTHINGTON APPROPRIATION HELD UP

The appropriation of $500, which was made to be placed at the disposal of Illustrious Deputy John Worthington at the session held in Omaha, was retained in the custody of the Imperial Potentate, who endeavored to find out the necessities of the situation and the probability of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine needing entertainment or assistance during the temporary station at the Island of Malta. He received no reply to a communication sent to the Illustrious Noble Worthington, and for this reason the Imperial Potentate reported that he had no occasion to draw upon the Imperial Council's funds for the purpose of entertaining Nobles on their way to Jerusalem.

When this matter came before the Imperial Council for review a resolution was adopted directing that the incoming Imperial Potentate should forward immediately to Noble Worthington, representative of the Imperial Council in the East, the sum of $500 appropriated at the last session of the Imperial Council and held up for the reason stated in the annual address of the Imperial Potentate.

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

One of the amendments to the By-laws adopted at this session of the Imperial Council was one increasing the bond of the Imperial Treasurer from $5000 to $20,000. This action was rendered necessary by the rapid growth of the Order and the consequent increase in the amount of money annually handled by the Imperial Treasurer.

Another amendment to the By-laws, which was offered at the session at Omaha, and held over for one year, under the rules, provided for the annual instead of the triennial election of officers of the Imperial Council.

When this amendment had been adopted by the Imperial Council, the election of officers was entered into with the following result:

THOMAS J. HUDSON, Imperial Potentate, Pittsburg, Pa.

CHARLES L. FIELD, Deputy Imperial Potentate, San Francisco, Cal.

FRANK LOCKE, Imperial Chief Rabban, Boston, Mass.

JOHN T. BRUSH, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Indianapolis, Ind.

A. B. MCGAFFEY, Imperial High Priest and Prophet. Denver, Col.

ALONZO BRYMER, Imperial Oriental Guide, Brooklyn, N. Y.

JOSEPH S. WRIGHT, Imperial Treasurer, Philadelphia, Pa.

FRANK M. LUCE, Imperial Recorder, Chicago, Ill.

LOUIS P. ECKER, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, Richmond, Va.

ETHELBERT F. ALLEN, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master.

THOMAS J. BISHOP, Imperial Marshal, Greenbush Heights, N. Y.

THAD. B. BEECHER, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Bridgeport, Conn.

CURTIS B. WINSOR, Imperial Outer Guard, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

An invitation was extended by El Jebel Temple, of Denver, Col., to hold the next session of the Imperial Council at Denver with El Jebel Temple as host. An invitation was also tendered the Imperial Council by Mecca Temple, of New York, for the holding of the session of 1895 in New York.

Denver was selected as the next place of meeting, while the invitation from Mecca Temple was received with thanks.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations recommended that no dispensation be granted for a temple at Topeka, Kan., after hearing the protest of the representatives at Leavenworth. An application to establish a temple at Wichita, Kan., was also denied. There were temples existing at Salina, and at Leavenworth, Kan., and for this reason the committee did not feel justified

ISMAILIA TEMPLE
TEMPORARY HEADQUARTERS
BUFFALO, N.Y.

OASIS TEMPLE
CHARLOTTE, N.C.

MURAT TEMPLE
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

in granting the dispensations for the establishment of temples in the other cities — even though they were larger.

The committee recommended that dispensation be granted for the establishment of a temple at Columbus, Ohio, provided that Al Koran, Syrian, and the proposed new temple, should agree in writing on jurisdictional lines, and file such agreement with the Imperial Potentate or Imperial Recorder.

The committee recommended granting a charter for the establishment of Mohammed Temple at Peoria, Ill., concurrent jurisdiction in the State of Illinois having been agreed to by Medinah, Salina, and the proposed new temple. This was so ordered.

Dispensation was also granted Rajah Temple at Reading, Pa.

The application for a temple at Charleston, W. Va., was postponed until the next annual session.

Charters were granted to Hamasa Temple, at Meridian, Miss., and to Naja Temple, at Deadwood, S. Dak.

Dispensation was continued in the case of India Temple, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dispensation was authorized at Marquette, Mich.

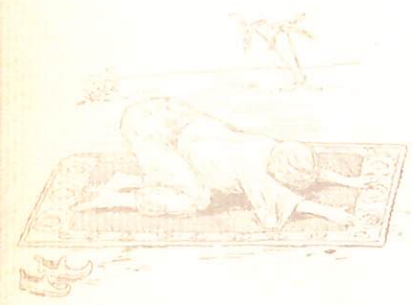
The following was also adopted, appended to the report of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations:

"That no temple shall be established in States where two or more temples now exist until there shall have been an increase to the amount of fifty per cent of the number of persons having the necessary prerequisites to membership in the Order over the number now existing."

TWENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

The twentieth annual session of the Imperial Council convened in El Jebel Temple, Denver, Col., July 24, 1894. Noble W. W. Anderson, Potentate of El Jebel Temple welcomed the visitors to the shades of the Rocky Mountains, and at the request of the Imperial Potentate, Thomas J. Hudson, who was suffering from a throat trouble, the response was made by Noble John H. Atwood of Abdallah Temple, at Leavenworth, Kan. Only three of the Imperial Officers were absent, and very few of the representatives.

The Imperial Potentate reported the granting of dispensations to Ahmed Temple, at Marquette, Mich., and Aladdin Temple, at Columus, Ohio, and recommended the granting of a charter in each case.



The Imperial Potentate also reported the effort of a number of members of El Kalah Temple to petition for a dispensation to organize a temple at Ogden, Utah, which petition was duly signed by forty-eight Nobles residing in Ogden and addressed to the Imperial Council. The Potentate of El Kalah Temple ruled the motion out of order and declined to permit a vote on it. Exceptions were taken to his ruling, and Noble A. C. Emerson and forty-seven other Nobles — residents of Ogden — filed an appeal with the Imperial Potentate.

The Imperial Potentate ruled that the Potentate of El Kalah was in error when he refused to put the motion, and the decision was that the appeal was well taken and must be sustained. However, owing to the close proximity of Ogden to Salt Lake City — only 35 miles — the Imperial Potentate concluded not to grant a dispensation, but referred the whole matter to the Committee on Dispensations and Charters.

A great deal of correspondence covering disputes was made a part of the annual address of the Imperial Potentate, and the various subjects therein contained were disposed of by reference to the several committees, where a settlement had not already been reached.

INCORPORATION OF IMPERIAL COUNCIL

About this time a spurious order, claiming to be Nobles of the Order of the Mystic Shrine, came into existence, and investigation showed that three of the old rituals of the Order were missing. The Imperial Potentate, referring to the subject in his address, said:

"Doubtless many, if not all of you, are aware of the fact, that there exists in the States of Ohio, Illinois, Missouri, Texas, and possibly other Western States, organizations composed of our colored fellow citizens who have borrowed our title almost verbatim, and for this and other various reasons, after conference with a number of officers of the Council, it was deemed advisable to have our body incorporated, not only that we might hold our present style and title exclusively, but that should it become necessary to own property, we would be able to hold same as a body with a legal status. This has been recommended by my predecessors and frequently discussed, but no action has been taken.

"I therefore assumed the responsibility, and authorized John W. Boyle, of Utica, N. Y., to prepare articles of incorporation, and have the same enacted by special act of the Legislature of New York. This has been accomplished by Noble Boyle, and now our charter and incorporation is Chapter 193, Laws of New York, approved by Governor Flower, March 30, 1894. This satisfactory result was obtained at a comparatively small cost. Noble Boyle has been requested to submit to you the act of incorporation, and to prepare the necessary By-laws, which I hope will be adopted by you, and my action in this matter will meet your approbation and approval."

The Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws in due time reported the passage of the act incorporating the Imperial Council by the New York Legislature. The act reads as follows:

An Act to Incorporate the Imperial Council, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America.

The people of the State of New York represented in Senate and Assembly do enact as follows:

SECTION 1.— That Thomas J. Hudson, Imperial Potentate, Frank M. Luce, Imperial Recorder, Joseph S. Wright, Imperial Treasurer, and Charles W. Cushman, Thomas J. Bishop, John W. Boyle, and Joseph A. Eakins, Imperial Representatives, and their successors in office of the Imperial Council, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America, while holding said office, and until their successors are elected and qualified, shall be, and the same are hereby and forever declared to be a body politic and corporate by the name, style, and description of "The Imperial Council, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America."

SECTION 2.— Said corporation, by the name and style aforesaid, shall have full power to sue or be sued, plead and implead, prosecute and defend all actions in law or in equity in all places where legal and equitable proceedings are had. The said corporation has power to make such constitution, by-laws, rules, and regulations for its own government and the management of its concerns, and the government of its subordinate temples, as shall be deemed advisable, and to alter and amend the same at pleasure; provided that such by-laws, rules, and regulations shall not conflict with the constitution and laws of the State and of the United States of America.

SECTION 3.— That said corporation shall have the right to the exclusive use of the name of — "The Imperial Council Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America;" and by said name and style shall be capable in law of purchasing, holding, and conveying real and personal estate for the benefit of said corporation: — to create a charity and educational fund, — *provided* that said corporation shall not at any one time hold property real, personal, and mixed; a representative

INDIA TEMPLE
OKLAHOMA, CITY

EL KATIF TEMPLE
SPOKANE, WASHINGTON

fund; a library fund, and an Imperial Council fund to an amount exceeding one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000).

SECTION 4.— That the several persons named in Section 1 of this Act shall be the trustees of said corporation for the first year, until their successors are duly elected and qualified; and the first three officers of the Imperial Council, chosen at any election subsequent to the passage of this Act, shall, by virtue of their election and installation of such officers, become trustees of the corporation, and shall continue as such trustees during their entire term of office as Imperial Council officers.

SECTION 5.— In the management of its business concerns said corporation is hereby authorized to appoint such agents, officers, representatives, and attorneys for that purpose as from time to time may be deemed proper.

SECTION 6.— This Act shall be deemed a public Act, and shall be liberally construed by all courts for the benefit of the corporation for which it is created.

SECTION 7.— This Act shall take effect immediately.

ACT OF INCORPORATION NOT ACCEPTED

The question of the adoption of the report of the committee upon the action of the Imperial Potentate in the matter of the incorporation confirming this action created considerable discussion on the part of the representatives when brought before the Imperial Council.

Finally a resolution offered by Noble Andrews was adopted. This was to the effect that the entire subject of incorporation be referred to a special committee of three, to make a report at the next annual session, and that in the meantime, the Imperial Council does not accept the act of incorporation reported by the committee as the charter of the Imperial Council.

RELATION OF SHRINE TO MASONRY

In another portion of his annual address Imperial Potentate Hudson said:

"I desire to express my views concerning what should be the relation between this Imperial Council and the subordinate temples. It must be allowed that this Institution partakes in no way of the character of the Masonic organization. We have no relation or correspondence with that Institution, and could not reasonably ask any recognition at their hands. We simply require that all members of our Order shall possess certain Masonic attainments.

"To seek to govern an institution of this character by rules and laws of an order not possessing any of the characteristics of the Mystic Shrine, such laws being observed because of traditional antiquity and venerated because of their being handed down from an early period — I say, to seek to govern this Order by such arbitrary rules is entirely contrary to reason, and certainly not to be desired. It seems that many of our members are not able to draw the line between the Order of the Shrine and the Masonic Institution. Occasionally we hear some venerable Arabian rise up in his temple and proclaim this or that method of proceeding is not in accordance with the 'Masonic Laws,' and such remark is certainly very strange, if not ridiculous. We are growing into the danger of attempting too much, and are liable of being too much governed."

The total number of Nobles in the Mystic Shrine, December 31, 1893, as shown by the report of the Imperial Recorder, was 31,429, a total increase in the number of Nobles of 5085. Losses by death, dimit, or other causes were 817, leaving a net gain for the year of 4268 Nobles.

The number of temples had grown to 65, with three others under dispensation. Receipts for annual dues, initiation fees, etc., amounted to $15,054.45.

RETIREMENT OF RECORDER LUCE

In concluding his report, the Imperial Recorder, Frank M. Luce, whose suspension by the Imperial Potentate was not sustained by the last Imperial Council session, said that owing to other, and more important duties, he would not, under any consideration, be a candidate for re-election, that he retired from the office with no heart-burnings or ill feeling toward any one, and hoped to be free from cares, and thus better able to labor for the united prosperity and harmony of the Noble Order.

ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The annual election of officers was conducted with the following result:

WILLIAM B. MELISH, Imperial Potentate, Cincinnati, Ohio.

WAYLAND TRASK, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Brooklyn, N. Y.

JOHN T. BRUSH, Imperial Chief Rabban, Indianapolis, Ind.

CYRUS W. EATON, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

A. B. MCGAFFEY, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, Denver, Col.

ETHELBERT F. ALLEN, Imperial Oriental Guide, Kansas City, Mo.

WILLIAM S. BROWN, Imperial Treasurer, Pittsburg, Pa.

BENJAMIN W. ROWELL, Imperial Recorder, Boston, Mass.

THOMAS J. BISHOP, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, Greenbush Heights, N. Y.

THAD. B. BEECHER, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Bridgeport, Conn.

WILLIAM H. S. WRIGHT, Imperial Marshal, St. Paul, Minn.

JOHN H. ATWOOD, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Leavenworth, Kan.

HORACE K. BLANCHARD, Imperial Outer Guard, Providence, R. I.

MEDINAH TEMPLE
CHICAGO, ILL.

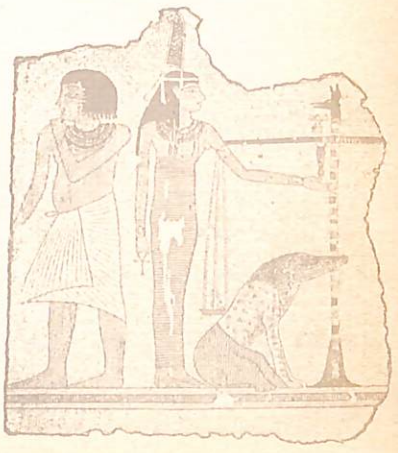
CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations reported favorably in regard to the establishment of Tebala Temple at Rockford, Ill., with concurrent jurisdiction by Medinah, Salina, and Salaam Temples; but postponed the establishment of a temple at Wilkesbarre, Pa.; also postponed action on granting dispensation for the establishment of temples at Charlotte, N. C., and Charleston, W. Va. Upon recommendation, charters were granted to India Temple at Oklahoma City, Okla.; to Ahmed Temple at Marquette, Mich.; and to Aladdin Temple at Columbus, Ohio.

EL KALAH TEMPLE
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

CHARTER REFUSED OGDEN NOBLES

In the matter of the application of the Nobles at Ogden, Utah, for a temple to be called "El Sid," the Committee on Charters and Dispensations reported unfavorably. The courtesy of the floor was extended to the Nobles residing at Ogden to present their case, and an earnest appeal was made. However, when the vote was put before the Imperial Council the petition was rejected, giving as a reason the nearness of Ogden to Salt Lake City, where a temple already exists.



QUESTIONS OF JURISDICTION

A number of minor disputes involving the residence of Nobles elected to temples were disposed of by the Committee on Grievances and Appeals:

In the case of John McCord, it was found that his fees had been accepted by Moslem Temple, at Detroit, Mich., which claimed him as a member, and if he wished to transfer his membership from Moslem to Syrian Temple, at Cincinnati, Ohio, he should apply to Moslem Temple for a dimit. If, after the expiration of sixty days, he failed to do so, Moslem Temple should be directed to cite him (McCord) before it for the purpose of investigating the questionable method taken by him (McCord) to obtain the protection of the Shrine.

In the case of William T. Bennett, of Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y., who resided in the jurisdiction of Syria Temple, at Pittsburg, Pa., the committee found that Bennett did not make the application in good faith. Therefore Kismet Temple was directed to pay Syria Temple the resulting fees therefrom; and Bennett and Noble Blohm, who indorsed his application, were cited to appear before Kismet Temple for a trial in regard to their violation of the laws of the Order.

APPEAL FOR DIPLOMATIC INFLUENCE

An unusual case was also presented by the Committee on Grievances and Appeals in these words:

Your committee is also requested to bring before the Council a matter, which though it does not lie within the province of your committee, is deemed by your committee a proper matter to be presented to the Imperial Council. That matter, briefly stated, is as follows:

"Noble P. F. Nishkian, a member of Ararat Temple, some time since sent a photograph of himself in Shrine costume to his parents residing in Smyrna, Syria. In some way the package became opened by the Turkish authorities, and the photograph was deemed by them (the Turks) sufficient cause to suspect treasonable conspiracy on the part of the sender and the sendees of said package to warrant the arrest of the latter, and, as a result, the father, mother, and brother of Noble Nishkian were arrested and placed in the dungeon keep of some Turkish bastile, where they were confined for some thirty days or more. Their release was finally obtained, but great injury was done to them and to their business. They are still looked upon as suspects, and treated as such by the Turkish government, and by those with whom they wish to transact business.

"Now, since this is a matter resting between the Sultan and his subjects, your committee does not deem it to be such a matter as could with propriety be interfered with by our government, but Noble Nishkian deems his desire reasonable, to wit: that a full statement of the matter be placed in the hands of the American Minister at Constantinople with the request that he, as a Mason (and he is one), and not in his official capacity, bring the matter to the attention of the Sultan — who is also a Mason — and ask that the people of Noble Nishkian be removed from the cloud of suspicion which now rests upon them, and thus confidence be restored and communication without restraint be permitted between him (Nishkian) and his people."

An amendment was offered in answer to the report of the committee, and adopted, that in the case of William P. Bennett the matter be left to the judgment of Kismet Temple; that in the case of Noble John McCord, Moslem Temple be directed to pay all the fees and dues into the Council and to proceed in such a way against Noble McCord as they might deem best; that in the case of Noble Nishkian, the Imperial Potentate be directed to confer with the American Minister at Constantinople, as recommended by the Committee on Grievances and Appeals.

NEW RITUAL ADOPTED

A new ritual was reported by Noble George H. Walker, Secretary of the committee, and read to the members of the Imperial Council in executive session. At the conclusion of the reading, the report of the committee was accepted, and the new ritual was adopted as the only lawful ritual of the Order. It was also directed that the new ritual be promulgated as early as possible; that it be printed, and the entire edition be turned over to the Imperial Recorder for distribution under such rules and regulations as might be promulgated by the Imperial Potentate.

EL RIAD TEMPLE ESCAPES CENSURE

The Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws recommended the restoration of the charter to El Riad Temple, of Sioux Falls, S. Dak. Potentate Eugene S. Elliott, of Tripoli Temple, had preferred charges against El Riad Temple for initiating two Knights Templar, residents of Wisconsin. El Riad Temple had asked for a waiver of jurisdiction, but Tripoli Temple had refused, as Tripoli Temple required its members to belong to both the Knights Templar and the Consistory.

El Kahir Temple, of Cedar Rapids, also objected to the conferment of the Order on one of the petitions, as he resided within the jurisdiction of El Kahir Temple. The committee took the view that the officers of El Riad Temple had taken the law into their own hands, and thus had committed a positive and wilful violation of the laws pertaining to judicial boundaries.

The committee recommended that in restoring the charter of El Riad Temple the Potentate be publicly censured for his action in the matter, as well as the two Nobles who recommended the two petitioners for membership without knowing the residence of either.

After some discussion, a motion was made and adopted to restore the charter of El Riad Temple, but without censuring the Potentate or Nobles of the temple. The facts in the case were explained on the floor by Noble Park Davis before this action was taken.

Before the Imperial Council adjourned the sum of $500 was ordered paid to the Imperial Treasurer, Noble Joseph S. Wright, for his services as such during the past five years.

On motion of Noble James McGee, it was also resolved that a Past Potentate's jewel — of a design which had been created at the last annual session — be purchased for the retiring Imperial Potentate.

The sum of $250 was set aside also for the purchase of a jewel for the Imperial Recorder, Frank M. Luce.

TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

The special committee, which was appointed at the Denver session of the Imperial Council to select the place for the next session of the Council, was at first inclined to favor Saratoga Springs, but finally determined that the twenty-first annual session should be held at the Rockwell House, Nantasket Beach, Mass., on Monday, September 2, 1895, with Aleppo Temple, of Boston, as the host of the occasion.

The several important committees assembled one day in advance of the Imperial Council and got their work well under way. This work included several proposed amendments to the constitution, which had been presented at the last session of the Imperial Council.

The Imperial Council was called to order by Imperial Potentate William B. Melish, and after an Invocation to Allah by the Rev. R. R. Swope, Potentate Caleb Saunders of Aleppo Temple welcomed the Imperial Council to the oasis of Aleppo Temple.

Noble Melish replied on behalf of the Imperial Council; he also accepted on behalf of the Imperial Council the invitation of Noble Saunders to attend a banquet on the evening of September 3 at the Rockland House.

Imperial Potentate Melish directed the members of the Imperial Council to rise as a token of fraternal respect to the memory of the Imperial Assistant Rabban, Cyrus W. Eaton, who entered the Unseen Temple May 12 1895. Noble Melish remarked that this station, with that of the Deputy Imperial Potentate, Wayland Trask, who was detained, were the only vacancies in the Imperial Divan.

IMPERIAL POTENTATE S ADDRESS

The annual address of the Imperial Potentate reviewed the events which had transpired since the session at Denver, the fiscal year having been changed so that it might end near to the usual time of meeting. The financial reports this year covered a cycle of fifteen months,— from January 1, 1894, to April 30, 1895.

The recommendation of the Imperial Council regarding Moslem Temple in the matter of Noble John P. McCord had been complied with; also the recommendations in the matter of Kismet Temple, which had censured Noble Blohm, who had recommended Noble William T. Bennett for membership when the said William T. Bennett resided in the Territory of Syria Temple. It was ascertained upon investigation that Bennett was no longer a resident of the Territory of Syria Temple and was proclaimed as in good standing in Kismet Temple. This reversed the finding of the committee at the last session of the Imperial Council.

The request of Noble Nishkian of Ararat Temple at Kansas City, Mo., invoking aid for what he claimed were indignities and oppressions upon his family in Armenia, was dropped after consultation with the State Department, and after the delicacy of the situation had been laid before Noble Nishkian.

The Imperial Potentate reported the institution under charter of India Temple, at Oklahoma City, Okla. Also Ahmed Temple, at Marquette, Mich., and Aladdin Temple, at Columbus, Ohio. India Temple was instituted by Imperial Oriental Guide E. F. Allen, December 31, 1894; while Ahmed Temple was instituted by Illustrious Noble John Q. Adams of Marquette, Mich.; and Aladdin Temple was instituted by the Imperial Potentate on October 29, 1894, which marked the gathering of a large number of visiting Shriners from various oases. The ceremonies began at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and the official divan, having been installed, conferred the Order of Noblity upon a class of thirty-eight candidates.

The Temple and its guests then marched to City Hall, which had been elaborately decorated, and here the ladies of the Nobles awaited them and a banquet was served, about four hundred Nobles and ladies being seated. This was followed by dancing.

Aladdin started off with a membership of 285 at the time of its institution, and had jurisdiction over twenty-four countries.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

Dispensation was granted to James M. Rumsey, Jr., and others, for the formation of Korein Temple, at Rawlins, Wyo.

Dispensation was also granted to Illustrious Noble G. R. Atkinson, and others, for the establishment of a temple at Rockford, Ill.

Dispensation was granted to Noble W. T. Siddell, and others, for the formation of Oasis Temple at Charlotte, N. C., in September, 1894. This temple began work January 18, 1895.

DESIRE FOR A TEMPLE IN MEXICO

For two years or more it had been reported annually, either to the Imperial Potentate or to the Imperial Council, that a temple of the Order, if located in the city of Mexico, could not fail to be a great success, as there was a widespread desire on the part of eligible Masons in the Republic of Mexico to obtain a dispensation for that purpose.

Imperial Potentate Melish, having some knowledge of the conditions existing in some of the so-called higher bodies of Mexican Masonry, doubted the advisability of making Shriners in Mexico or of locating a temple there. Having an opportunity of making a thorough canvass of the matter, the Imperial Potentate delegated to Illustrious O. P. McCarty, of Syrian Temple at Cincinnati, Ohio, to visit the city of Mexico for an investigation of the facts of the case and report thereon at the next session. The report was that the time had not yet arrived when it was desirable to take steps to establish the Order in Mexico. Noble McCarty reported from his headquarters in New Orleans, where he was then stationed: "There is but one Knights Templar Commandery in Mexico, and that one, having a very small membership, is located in the city of Mexico, holding stated meetings about once in every six months, there being very little interest in York Rite Masonry taken in the Republic of Mexico. Then, again, there are comparatively few thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Masons in Mexico, because under the Masonic laws governing the Scottish Rite in that Republic, it requires one year to pass from the third degree — Master Masons — to the eighteenth degree — Rose Croix; one year additional to pass from the eighteenth degree to the thirtieth degree; one year to pass from the thirtieth degree to the thirty-first degree; two years from the thirty-first to the thirty-second degree, and three years from the thirty-second degree to the thirty-third degree, or to such as may be called upon to receive this latter degree."

Noble C. H. MyAgramonte, 33°, a member of Mecca Temple residing in the city of Mexico, informed Noble McCarty that he had been endeavoring to get up a class in the city of Mexico for several years, and was of the opinion that it could be made successful by instituting a temple with strictly American candidates. He believed, however, that the Imperial Council would have to grant a special dispensation in favor of the Republic of Mexico and admit Rose Croix eighteenth degree Scottish Rite Masons to membership in the Shrine so as to obtain a large enough field from which to secure candidates.

DISPENSATION ASKED FOR ENGLAND

The Imperial Potentate also reported that within the last two months he had received a communication from Illustrious Noble H. A. Collins, Potentate of Rameses Temple, of Toronto, Canada, asking for a dispensation to establish the Order in England, where he was about to make a visit. This it was impossible to grant

ALGERIA TEMPLE
HELENA MONTANA

AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE
LOS ANGELES CAL

ARARAT TEMPLE
KANSAS CITY, MO.

EL RIAD TEMPLE
SIOUX FALLS S.D.

under the Constitution, but Imperial Potentate Melish requested Noble Collins to investigate the situation in London, and other cities in England, and report to the Imperial Council as to the advisability of making an effort to introduce the Order of the Shrine into England, or other parts of the United Kingdom.

Among the noted dead of the year, in addition to Noble Cyrus W. Eaton, of El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, were Imperial Assistant Rabban Noble Dwight Byington of Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kan., and Noble John S. Rogers, Chief Rabban of Palestine Temple, Providence, R. I.

NOTABLE CHARITIES REPORTED

Among the charities reported during the year were these :

Acca Temple, distribution to the worthy poor of Richmond, Va.; Abdallah Temple, donations to the Kansas Masonic Home; Aladdin Temple, aid extended the Women's Industrial and Educational Home for Children and Women compelled to work during the day; Ararat Temple, generous contributions to the City Charity Fund of Kansas City and the Masonic Home of Missouri; Algeria Temple, Helena, Mont., contributions to the suffering and sufferers from explosion at Butte; Al Chymia Temple, Christmas baskets distributed among the poor of Memphis; Al Kader Temple, funds for the relief of the visiting and stranded Nobles, and for the permanent relief of seventeen poor families in Portland, Ore.; Boumi Temple, five hundred baskets of provisions to worthy poor families in Baltimore as a Christmas offering, relieving the immediate necessities of over two thousand people; Damascus Temple, nine hundred and eighty-five Christmas dinners to the poor of Rochester, N. Y., and two hundred and fifty dolls and other gifts to little children, and seventy-five pairs of shoes to the needy; El Katif Temple, contributions to the Masonic poor of Spokane, Wash., as a result of a Charity Ball; Kosair Temple, Louisville, Ky., one hundred tons of coal distributed among the poor families during a spell of severe weather; Moslem Temple, distributions on New Year's Day of provisions for nine hundred and fifty-eight worthy families in Detroit; Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, provided a lunch each day during the winter to about seventy children, and a great many other contributions were made, particularly around Christmas time, either in charity or provisions given to the poor, dinners served, or financial aid extended to other organizations engaged in same mission.

REMARKABLE GROWTH OF THE ORDER

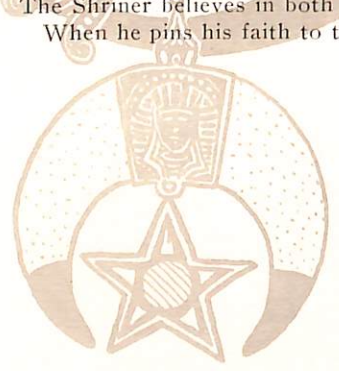
The prosperity of the Order continued unabated. The membership, January 1, 1895, was officially reported as 37,348, being a net gain of 5,907. The membership — January 1, 1892 — was 21,127. In the three years the Shrine almost doubled itself in membership.

The assets of the seventy-one temples located in forty-three States, Territories, and countries were placed at $348,928.85, with total liabilities of $44,987.50, and with net assets of $303,941.35.

OFFENDERS AGAINST SHRINE DIGNITY

About this time the hostility of a number of leading Masons towards the Shrine reached its highest degree of intensity, and the situation was aggravated by the issuance of improper and sometimes vulgar notices, one offense being such a couplet as,

"The Arab believes in Mohammed's Creed,
While the Cross is the Christian's hope;
The Shriner believes in both of these
When he pins his faith to the rope."



MOHAMMED TEMPLE
PEORIA ILL.

Such notices, tending to make light of the Order, only added fuel to the flames of indignation. The Council of Deliberation of the Scottish Rite, in June, 1895, took official notice of the latitude employed in disseminating public notices of Shrine meetings and deplored the fact because those outside of Masonry looked upon the Mystic Shrine as a Masonic rite, and the Masonic papers gave that charge some color by publishing in their journals "Shrine news."

The Council of Deliberation officially deplored such notices issued by temples to its members, and the resolution was sent to Imperial Potentate Melish.

SCARED BY IMPERIAL POTENTATE

One of the worst offenders seems to have been Al Koran Temple, of Cleveland, Ohio. The situation was such that the Imperial Potentate was moved to remark in his address :

"I am impressed by the necessity of saying a few words of warning in reference to the future welfare of our Noble Order. During the past year the Shrine has been subjected to more or less criticism from the outside. Masonic magazines and papers have contained articles attacking and defending the Shrine. One presiding officer of a grand Masonic body thought it within the line of his duty to comment unfavorably and at length upon the Shrine in his annual address.

"Of course, these are small matters if our Order is living up to its avowed principles. Wholesome criticism, even unkind or unjust comment, can do no harm if the Temples of the Order are properly conducted and kept well within their proper sphere. If the conduct of Shriners is such as to make them unfit tenants for a Masonic Temple, or a Templar Asylum, then let the Shrine be expelled from such quarters. But it is held that the Shriners control matters in such instances, and that to oppose them means discord in the Masonic bodies. The government of the matter should be in the hands of the Imperial Council, and it is the duty of this body to uphold the dignity of the Order. No man has a right to commit acts in his capacity as a Shriner which would reflect upon his character, or subject him to discipline as a Knight Templar, or a thirty-second degree Mason. That the Shrines in a few localities are a disgrace to the Order, is undoubtedly true; but I believe it is confined to less than ten per cent of the temples. When examples of riotous drunkenness given by officials of higher rank have gone unrebuked by the Imperial Council, it is small wonder that some temples have permitted excesses of this nature. Turning a Shrine meeting into a drunken debauch seems to be the only idea of a few Potentates and a few temples.

"Some of the notices issued make the drinking feature more prominent than the work. Newspaper accounts have reached me which indicate that the impression made upon the public is that a Shrine meeting, in that locality at least, means an hilarious drunk ! This body should take cognizance of the evils which exist among a few subordinate temples which permit drunkenness to occur at their ceremonial sessions, or during their excursions or caravans.

"The Imperial Potentate should be instructed and urged to suspend a Potentate, or to discontinue the charter of any temple permitting acts which are, in his opinion, an injury to the name and fair fame of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine."

FOUR MORE TEMPLES CHARTERED

The Committee on Dispensations and Charters reported in favor of granting charters to the following named temples :

Tebala Temple, Rockford, Ill.; Korein Temple, Rawlins, Wyo.; Oasis Temple, Charlotte, N. C.; Irem Temple, Wilkesbarre, Pa.; but reported unfavorably with reference to a petition for the establishment of a temple at Seattle, Wash.

The report of the committee was unanimously adopted.

A dispute arose between Kaaba and El Kahir Temples in regard to jurisdiction in the State of Iowa. The Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws reported that both these temples were in the eastern part of the State of Iowa — Kaaba at Davenport and El Kahir at Cedar Rapids — and recommended that concurrent jurisdiction be granted. When this motion was reported for adoption, Noble Ryan moved that the matter be laid on the table for a year, but his motion was defeated, and the recommendation of the committee as to concurrent jurisdiction was indorsed by the Imperial Council.

MORE POWER GIVEN IMPERIAL POTENTATE

Various amendments to the Constitution were then acted upon as reported. One of these amendments, which was adopted, gave the Imperial Potentate power to censure or to suspend temples; to discipline or suspend officers or members of subordinate temples for violation or disobedience, said suspension to be in force until the next session of the Imperial Council.

This amendment was adopted for the purpose of defining the powers of the Imperial Potentate, which had been brought into question previously in regard to the suspension of Recorder Frank M. Luce by Imperial Potentate Melish, the Imperial Council holding that he had no authority for this action.

SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION

An amendment was adopted requiring a two-thirds vote of the members present to suspend a Noble from office for conduct unbecoming a member of the Order, and such suspension might be for a definite or indefinite period; but a vote of three-fourths of the members present is required to expel him. A member so suspended or expelled can be reinstated only by petition to the temple, which shall require the consent of two-thirds of the members present to reinstate a suspended member, and three-fourths of the members present to reinstate an expelled member.

A petition was received from Noble Robert G. Cochran, of Phœnix, Arizona, and others, asking for a dispensation for the establishment of El Zaribah Temple of Phœnix. This was referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, which, after taking into consideration the number of Masons in Arizona who were eligible to the Order, deemed it unadvisable to recommend the granting of a dispensation for a temple at Arizona at this time.

The following Imperial Divan was chosen at the evening session :

Charles L. Field, Imperial Potentate, San Francisco, Cal.

John T. Brush, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Indianapolis, Ind.

Harrison Dingman, Imperial Chief Rabban, Washington, D. C.

Edward R. Harris, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Detroit, Mich.

A. B. McGaffey, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, Denver, Col.

Ethelbert F. Allen, Imperial Oriental Guide, Kansas City, Mo.

William S. Brown, Imperial Treasurer, Pittsburg, Pa.

Benjamin W. Rowell, Imperial Recorder, Boston, Mass.

William H. S. Wright, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, St. Paul, Minn.

Thomas J. Bishop, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Greenbush Heights, N. Y.

Robert M. Johnson, Imperial Marshal, Chicago, Ill.

John H. Atwood, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Leavenworth, Kan.

Horace K. Blanchard, Imperial Outer Guard, Providence, R. I.

INCORPORATION DECLARED UNAUTHORIZED

At the last annual session of the Imperial Council the question of incorporation was referred to a special committee by resolution of the Imperial Council, which did not accept the Act of Incorporation reported by the Committee as the Charter of the Imperial Council. This special committee, composed of J. H. Bromwell, George D. Peabody, and A. M. Sloan, reported at length and in substance, that in their opinion the incorporation of the Imperial Council was not necessary or desirable. The report dealt with the entire history of the incorporation, beginning with the recommendations of the Imperial Potentate, Sam Briggs, in the year 1891. The committee held, that by accepting this charter the Imperial Council would abdicate all of its rights in favor of a board of trustees, consisting of the three officers named in the charter and the representatives of four New York temples named in the charter, and their successors.

The committee held that the provision of the charter, which practically wiped out all legislative powers of the Imperial Council itself, and gave to the trustees the right to name their successors, was directly in conflict with the Constitution.

The committee was therefore of the opinion that the action of the Imperial Potentate, and the other officers and Nobles mentioned in the charter, was unauthorized, and was never ratified by the Imperial Council, which was in no wise bound by its provisions, and may reject or refuse to accept the same if it so desire.

The grounds upon which incorporation was urged were these: that the Imperial Council might hold its present style and title so that it would have a legal status in the event that it desired to hold property for the better protection of the enforcement of the funds of the Order. The committee believed that in the matter of the exclusive right to title no such exclusive right is conferred by the charter given in one State as will prevent charters being granted to other persons in other States under the same corporate name. As to the convenience of incorporation in the matter of holding property, the committee was of the opinion that property-holding was not one of the offices of the organization. As to the protection of the investment funds of the Order, the committee held that for many years national organizations similar to this, unincorporated, have been in existence, and yet there is no record, so far as this committee has been able to investigate the matter, of an individual member being held primarily responsible alone for the liabilities of the association. If, on the other hand, the officer while acting apparently within his authority actually exceeds it, he is liable on his bond to the Imperial Council and its members.

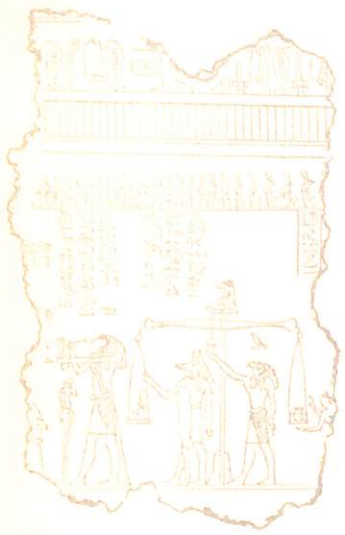
Among other objections to incorporation urged by the committee was the liability of double taxation of funds of the Imperial Council. The charter was declared to be incongruous and uncertain in some of its provisions, which make it difficult to ascertain its meaning.

KOSAIR TEMPLE
LOUISVILLE, KY.

MEDINAH TEMPLE
CHICAGO, ILL.

ABBA TEMPLE
MOBILE, ALA.

EL ZAGAL TEMPLE
FARGO NORTH DAKOTA



The report of the committee was sustained by vote of the Imperial Council, and the recommendation for the rejection of the charter was carried out. Therefore the Imperial Council stands as an unincorporated body to-day, although its charter granted by the State of New York is still in existence.

BAR ON IMPROPER NOTICES

The committee to which was referred that part of the address of the Imperial Potentate relating to improper notices of Shrine ceremonials brought in a report prohibiting all publications which may reflect upon religion or are a breach of good morals, or which may tend to bring the Order into disrepute, and providing that the Imperial Potentate shall have power to suspend any Potentate or other officers of subordinate temples who shall issue, or permit to be issued, any such offensive and objectionable notices or publications, and summon him to appear before the next annual session of the Imperial Council. The Imperial Potentate was given the right to determine whether or not a notice or publication came within the purview of this resolution.

The report of the committee was adopted by a unanimous vote.

Before concluding its sessions, the Imperial Council turned itself over to the hospitality of the Nobles of Aleppo Temple.

TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

The Imperial Council voted to hold its next annual session at Cleveland, Ohio, although it regretted that it was not thought to be wise at that time to accept the invitation from Islam Temple at San Francisco, as the Imperial treasury was still in such a condition that it could not meet the expenses of the representatives on so long a journey.

The Imperial Potentate, Charles L. Field, called the twenty-second annual session to order at Cleveland, June 23, 1896. To the call of the roll of temples, all save five temples reported delegates present.

Mayor Robert E. McKisson, of Cleveland, and a Noble of Al Koran Temple, delivered a felicitous address of welcome, to which a happy response was made by Noble John H. Atwood.

The Imperial Potentate during the year had granted dispensations to El Zaribah Temple, Phœnix, Ariz., February 10, 1896, and Sphinx Temple, Hartford, Conn., April 27, 1896. He also had in his hands the application of El Korah Temple, at Boise City, Idaho, but the temple has not yet been instituted. He referred a request from Rameses Temple to the Imperial Council, together with arguments from Edward F. Stahle, in favor of a temple being established at Cheyenne, Wyo.

The Imperial Potentate was a member of the committee which reported adversely in the matter of a temple at Phœnix, Ariz., but found upon his return from the East that the statistics of eligible persons upon which he had based his unfavorable report were erroneous; in fact, the conditions justified him in granting the dispensation. The temple in question had, at the time of writing his report, forty-five members, and he recommended the granting the charter at this session of the Imperial Council.

The Imperial Potentate, living on the Pacific Coast, was able to make official visitations only to Al Malaikah and Al Kader, of Los Angeles, Cal., and Portland, Ore., respectively. Other official visitations were made by his various deputies, whose reports he incorporated in his annual address.

PILGRIMAGE TO MECCA

One of the noted visitations was that of Imperial Chief Rabban Harrison Dingman, to Mecca Temple, April 29, 1896. Upon this occasion thirty-four poor wandering sons of the desert made the journey and were received into the mysteries of the Order. At this time, also, there was held the reception accorded to forty-four visiting Nobles who were making their first pilgrimage to Mecca Temple, and were decorated, in accordance with the custom with the Haji badge. The following fourteen temples were represented upon this occasion: Acca, Aleppo, Almas, Cyprus, Hella, Jerusalem, Kismet, Lu Lu, Mount Sinai, Medinah, Oriental, Palestine, Pyramid, and Tripoli.

The custom of presenting a badge is a part of the history of Mecca Temple, which certainly makes each recipient feel a particular interest in it and creates a strong desire at the same time again to present himself at the temple, in anticipation, wearing his badge in evidence that he has fulfilled his vow and made a pilgrimage once in his lifetime.

CHARITY OF MECCA TEMPLE

On the subject of charities, while different temples have adopted means to this end, which he highly commended, the Imperial Potentate said:

"I desire to speak of the methods adopted by Mecca Temple, which I would like to see adopted by every other Temple in the Order. The greatest assistance you can render, and the greatest charity you can bestow on a worthy Noble, is to obtain for him employment by which he can earn that which will support and educate those who are dependent upon him. He will accept such a tender with heartfelt gratitude, while perhaps his innate pride might prompt him to decline the offer of coin, even though he may be on the point of starvation.

"Nobles, you who are the representatives of your respective temples and are regarded as the guiding spirits of its affairs, let me urge upon you the important results that may follow out of this suggestion. Take the matter in hand, and if you can, promptly and with energy, I prophesy that the benefits resulting therefrom will exceed your most sanguine expectations."

CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS

Petitions were received by the Imperial Council from Nobles at Charleston, W. Va., and Savannah, Ga., requesting dispensations for the establishment of temples to be called respectively "Beni Kedem" and "Alee," which were referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations. In both instances dispensations were granted.

Dispensation was also granted to El Korah Temple at Boise City, Iowa, and charters were issued to El Zaribah Temple, at Phœnix, Ariz.; and Sphinx Temple, at Hartford, Conn.

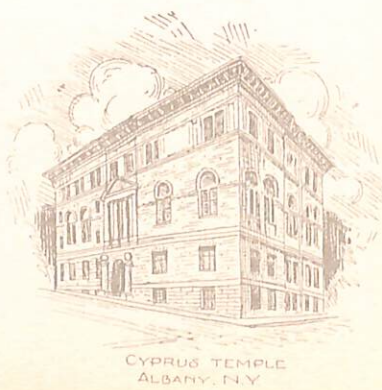
The election of officers for the ensuing year was held with the following result:

Harrison Dingman, Imperial Potentate, Washington, D. C.

Albert P. McGaffey, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Denver, Col.

Ethelbert F. Allen, Imperial Chief Rabban, Kansas City, Mo.

John H. Atwood, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Leavenworth, Kan.



WILLIAM H. S. WRIGHT, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, St. Paul, Minn.

LOU B. WINSOR, Imperial Oriental Guide, Reed City, Mich.

WILLIAM S. BROWN, Imperial Treasurer, Pittsburg, Pa.

BENJAMIN W. ROWELL, Imperial Recorder, Boston, Mass,

HENRY C. AIKIN, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, Omaha, Neb.

LOU ANDREWS, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Hamilton, Ohio.

HORACE K. BLANCHARD, Imperial Marshal, Providence, R. I.

GEORGE H. GREEN, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Dallas, Texas.

GEORGE F. WHITE, Imperial Outer Guard, Davenport, Iowa.

Detroit, Mich., was selected as the next place for the annual session of the Imperial Council.

A special committee was appointed at the previous session to present a testimonial to Past Imperial Potentate William B. Melish, which reported that it had found and procured a Past Imperial Potentate's jewel of the form and material prescribed by the rules of the Council, and that on the 22d of February, 1896, in the presence of some fifteen hundred Nobles of Syrian Temple and their guests who were assembled at Pike's Opera House, Cincinnati, Ohio, the jewel was presented to Noble William Melish by Noble Bromwell, chairman of the special committee.

The special committee also reported on the balance of the appropriation, saying that it had been expended upon an assortment of table-ware, consisting of silver-ware, cut glass, and china, which was presented to Noble Melish and his estimable wife, at their residence at Clifton, Cincinnati, Ohio.

A question arose in regard to Ahmed Temple, at Marquette, Mich., relative to jurisdiction, and it was determined that Ahmed should have exclusive jurisdiction in the Upper Peninsula, and surrender all concurrent jurisdiction in the Lower Peninsula; and that Moslem Temple of Detroit, and Saladin Temple of Grand Rapids, should have concurrent jurisdiction in the Lower Peninsula of Michigan.

JURISDICTION OF RAMESES TEMPLE

The special committee to which was referred the question of the jurisdiction of Rameses Temple, at London, Ont., which laid claim to the province of Quebec, and even into the colony of Nova Scotia, reported that Rameses had sole jurisdiction only in the province of Ontario. The committee would not, even for a moment, think of the suggestion of Rameses Temple having jurisdiction over all the Dominion of Canada, as, if those qualified were compelled to travel hundreds and thousands of miles from their homes in the various provinces of the Dominion to Toronto when they might more conveniently reach temples in the United States, say, Tacoma, Wash., or to Lewiston, Maine, it would be practically to debar the Masons of nearly all the provinces except Ontario from membership in the Order. The committee was advised by Noble Collins, representative of Rameses Temple, that only one Noble from New Brunswick, one from Prince Edward Island, and none at all from the provinces of the Northwest Territory, British Columbia, Manitoba, or the colonies of Newfoundland or Labrador, are members of Rameses Temple. All portions of the province of Quebec are nearer by lines of travel to Mount Sinai Temple at Montpelier, Vt., than any portion thereof to Toronto.

A request for concurrent jurisdiction over the province of Quebec in favor of Mount Sinai Temple was received, whereupon the committee recommended, which recommendation was accepted and adopted after a full discussion, that Rameses Temple at Toronto has full jurisdiction over the province of Ontario; and that in the provinces of the Northwest Territory, British Columbia, Manitoba, Quebec, the lower colonies of Newfoundland and Labrador, Rameses should have concurrent jurisdiction with the temples of the United States, until such time as other temples may be established by the Imperial Council therein.

ISMAILIA TEMPLE
TEMPORARY HEADQUARTERS
BUFFALO, N.Y.

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

The twenty-third annual session of the Imperial Council was held at Detroit, Mich., on June 8, 1897, and, after being called to order by Imperial Potentate Harrison Dingman, and listening to an invocation to Allah by the Rev. W. S. Stearns of St. Stephen's Church, the address of welcome was delivered by W. C. Mayberry, Mayor of Detroit, to which Imperial Potentate Dingman responded.

The Imperial Potentate announced that after the adjournment of the last session of the Imperial Council he had appointed five officers of the Imperial Divan — they having been appointed instead of being elected at the session of the Imperial Council. These appointments are given in the list of officers of the Imperial Council.

OFFICIAL VISITS OF IMPERIAL POTENTATE

Official visitations were made by the Imperial Potentate during the year to Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, Minn.; Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.; Ziyara Temple, Utica, N. Y.; Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Md.; Beni Kedem, Charleston, W. Va.; Alee Temple, Savannah, Ga.; Oasis Temple, Charlotte, N. C.; Aleppo Temple, Boston, Mass.; Rajah Temple, Reading, Pa.; Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn.; Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.; Kora Temple, Lewiston, Maine; Mount Sinai Temple, Montpelier, Vt.; a second visit was made to Ismailia, Buffalo, N. Y.; Oriental Temple, Troy, N. Y.; Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio; Acca Temple, Richmond, Va.; and Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Some of the visits were noteworthy. The ceremonial session of Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, was held in Music Hall, where the fourteen hundred Nobles present sat on the first floor. Eighty-seven sons of the desert were inducted into the mysteries of the Order by Past Imperial Potentate William B. Melish, who was then serving his fifteenth term as Illustrious Potentate of Syrian Temple. An elaborate banquet followed the ceremonial session.

OASIS TEMPLE
CHARLOTTE, N.C.

SHRINE IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES

The question of the "Shrine in Foreign Countries" was dealt with by Illustrious Noble Dingman in his annual address. On the subject of the Shrine in Mexico, the Imperial Potentate said that he had received a request from Noble E. B. Smith, and others, who were going to visit the city of Mexico in November, 1896, and who asked if it would not be possible for them to be named as officers to open a temple of the Shrine there while on the visit. To this Potentate Dingman replied:

"It is the opinion of the Imperial Council that there has not been sufficient change in the Masonic status of the persons living at Mexico from that existing at the time of the special investigation made by Noble Melish in July, 1895."

The Imperial Potentate further said that he did not possess

MURAT TEMPLE
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

any legal power to appoint Noble Smith to any authority, and could not grant his request.

Request was made for the organization of a temple at Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands. The petitioner, a prominent official of the Hawaiian government, asked to be made a Noble at sight for this purpose; to which the Imperial Potentate replied that he was not empowered to create Nobles at sight except on petition for a new temple in unoccupied territory, and then only for the purpose of giving the new temple sufficient numbers to properly effect its organization. The Imperial Potentate added that he had a personal call from the person referred to and had placed him in possession of all the facts and information, and he had predicted that in a very short time formal application for the formation of a temple in the Sandwich Islands would be received.

A REQUEST FROM ENGLAND

The Imperial Potentate, on December 21, 1896, received a communication from Brother Thomas B. Whytehead of York, England, written to Noble Richard Muckle of Lu Lu Temple, asking Noble Muckle if it was not possible to have a temple for the Order of the Mystic Shrine in York. The Imperial Potentate was most favorably impressed with the belief that if it could be properly arranged, it would be of much benefit to the Order to establish a temple of the Shrine in this ancient city, and with that end in view he had opened a correspondence with Noble Muckle, and later went to Philadelphia to consult with him in relation to the matter. The Imperial Potentate had advised with some of the more experienced members of the Imperial Council who had more knowledge of English Masonry than he himself had, and finding that Noble Lou Rake, Potentate of Rajah Temple, contemplated going on a business trip to London and would return prior to this session of the Council, he issued to him, under date of February 10, 1897, a special commission, appointing Noble Rake Special Deputy Imperial Potentate for the purpose of making further inquiry into the requests of certain Masons of York for organizing a temple and empowering him, in the event of his becoming satisfied as to the advisability of establishing such a temple, to do any and all acts toward the organization of the temple under consideration, which the Illustrious Imperial Potentate would have the right to do were he present in person.

Noble Rake later reported that through a combination of unusual circumstances it would not be possible for him to undertake the task for which he had been empowered; and the Imperial Potentate suggested that Noble Rake be recommissioned with a view to completing the matter for the next session of the Imperial Council and making a report thereon at that time.

CHRISTMASTIDE CHARITIES

A number of notable acts of charity by the various temples of the Shrine were reported by the Imperial Potentate, most of which occurred during the Christmas season, as a result of letters sent during November and December to the different Potentates bringing the matter to their attention.

For the eighth time in the history of Damascus Temple, Rochester, N. Y., their Nobility assembled in large force on Christmas Eve, when four thousand eight hundred baskets of provisions, each containing a substantial Christmas dinner, were furnished to a corresponding number of needy poor of the city. In addition to the provisions, there were distributed two hundred pairs of shoes, three hundred caps, also overcoats, stockings, dresses, books, two thousand towels, and five thousand bags of popcorn.

Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Md., distributed seven hundred and thirty baskets of provisions on Christmas morning to as many needy families.

One of the many charitable acts of Murat Temple, Indianapolis, Ind., was the payment of rent for fourteen families who were about to be turned out of house and home.

The Nobles of Almas Temple, Washington, D. C., through a committee, directed its charity along lines seldom followed. This committee sought for those who were poor and deserving, but who, because of modesty, or perhaps because of pride, endeavored to hide their poverty from the world and who could not be brought to apply for assistance.

Lu Lu Temple, of Philadelphia, Pa., expended on charity alone during the year the sum of $5,089.

Imperial Recorder Rowell reported a total of two hundred members of the Imperial Council. Seventy-four temples were under charter and three under dispensation. The number of Nobles May 1, 1897, was 44,291, showing a net increase of 2,789 members.

The total receipts in dues, fees, etc., as shown by the report of the Imperial Recorder, were $15,179.16. The total amount expended by the Imperial Treasurer, William S. Brown, on warrants, was $15,748.54, and Noble Brown's report also showed a balance on hand, June 1, 1897, of $9,284.49.

The annual election of officers was held with the following result :

Albert P. McGaffey, Imperial Potentate, Denver, Col.

Ethelbert F. Allen, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Kansas City, Mo.

John H. Atwood, Imperial Chief Rabban, Leavenworth, Kan.

Lou B. Winsor, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Reed City, Mich.

Philip C. Shaffer, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, Philadelphia, Pa.

Henry C. Aikin, Imperial Oriental Guide, Omaha, Neb.

William S. Brown, Imperial Treasurer, Pittsburg, Pa.

Benjamin W. Rowell, Imperial Recorder, Boston, Mass.

Allen Andrews, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, Hamilton, Ohio.

George H. Green, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Dallas, Texas.

George L. Brown, Imperial Marshal, Buffalo, N. Y.

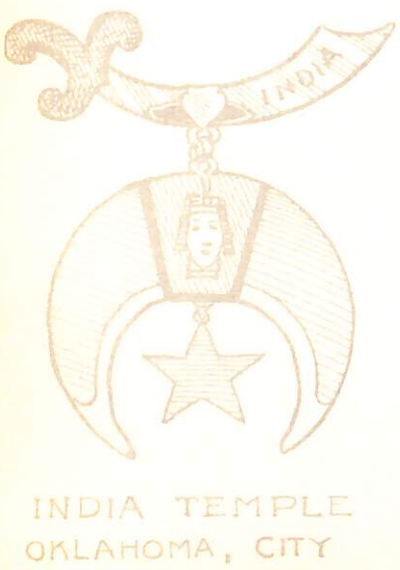
Thad. B. Beecher, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Bridgeport, Conn.

Archibald N. Sloan, Imperial Outer Guard, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Charters were granted to Beni Kedem Temple, Charleston, W. Va., and Alee Temple, Savannah, Ga.

Dispensation was granted for the establishment of Melba Temple at Springfield, Mass., with jurisdiction confined to Berkshire, Hampton and Hampshire counties, and Antioch Temple at Dayton, Ohio, with jurisdiction as agreed upon in writing with Syrian, Al Koran, and Aladdin Temples.

The request for dispensation to establish El Korah Temple at Boise City, Idaho, was continued for another year, and a dispensation to organize a temple at Charleston, S. C., was denied.



The agreement reached between the four temples in Ohio was that each should have exclusive jurisdiction in the counties nearest their respective oases, that is, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, and Dayton, the arrangement being made to avoid unnecessary conflict.

An invitation was extended to the Imperial Council to hold the next annual session at Dallas, Texas, and the Imperial Council, never having before convened in a southern city, accepted the invitation.

Salaam Temple, at Olney, Ill., together with all its members, was suspended until the next session of the Imperial Council, owing to its failure to make annual returns.

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

The officers of the Imperial Council, representatives, and Nobles, to the extent of several thousand, journeyed to Dallas, Texas, to attend the twenty-fourth annual session of the Imperial Council. The session convened in the Opera House, on the morning of Tuesday, June 14, 1898, with Hella Temple as host. Reduced railroad rates had been obtained through the efforts of Hella Temple, and the first convention in the South was opened under the most auspicious circumstances.

Noble George H. Green, of Hella Temple, welcomed the Nobility to the oasis of Dallas. At the conclusion of Noble Green's remarks, the Mayor of Dallas, the Hon. John H. Traylor, addressed the assembly of Nobles in behalf of the city of Dallas. Adjutant-General Wozencroft made an address in behalf of the State, the Governor of Texas being absent at the time.

During the year the Black Camel halted at the tent of one of the Imperial representatives, Noble John H. Cavanaugh, of Savannah, Ga.

The official visitations made by the Imperial Potentate were to Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo., and Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kan., while others of the Imperial Divan, acting as the Imperial Potentate's representatives, made various visitations.

Noble McGaffey reported that on the evening of January 27, 1898, he was entertained at a banquet by what is known as the "Tramp Shriners' Club of Cripple Creek," composed of Shriners who have gathered together in the great gold camps of Cripple Creek and Victor, Col., who have formed themselves into a Shriners' Club for mutual pleasure and benefit. They have forty-five members and represent thirty-nine temples.

The Imperial Potentate renewed the commission to Noble Lou Rake, Potentate of Rajah Temple. He was, however, unable to make the visitation to England which he had contemplated. The war with Spain having led to the possession of the Philippine Islands and a large army being encamped at Manila, with a larger army being formed in the oasis of Islam Temple and now encamped at San Francisco preparing to sail for the Island of Luzon, the Imperial Potentate recommended, at the request of many of the members of the Shrine who were in the camp, that the Imperial Council grant a dispensation for an army temple to be instituted in the Philippine Islands, with such officers as the Imperial Council might suggest or appoint.

The statistical report of the Imperial Recorder showed the members of the Imperial Council to be 214. The number of Nobles was 40,416, and the number of temples 79, three of them being under dispensation. Financial receipts for the year were $19,817.95, disbursements were $14,413.48, and the balance on hand to the credit of the Imperial Council $14,798.96, — the largest balance up to that time in the history of the Shrine treasury. Receipts in cash in excess of the previous year amounted to $4,638.79, and the disbursements were $1,335.06, less than the previous year.

The Imperial Potentate was very much elated at the prosperous condition of the Order, as were also the representatives, when his report was read.

Charters were granted to El Korah Temple, Boise City, Idaho, and Melba Temple, Springfield, Mass. Dispensations were granted Antioch Temple, Dayton, Ohio, and Zenobia Temple, Duluth, Minn.

PASSING OF SALAAM TEMPLE

Salaam Temple, at Olney, Ill., asked to be reinstated after explaining failure to meet her dues as not due to negligence, but chargeable to an oversight; it was admitted, however, that there had been considerable negligence on the part of the officers of Salaam Temple. The Committee on Charters and Dispensations, after investigating the history and reports of Salaam Temple, saw no good reason why that temple should be restored to activity, and therefore recommended that all the territory formerly occupied by Salaam Temple be made the common property of the State of Illinois, and that the charter of Salaam Temple be revoked, which recommendation of the committee was adopted by the Imperial Council, and Salaam Temple, of Olney, Ill., ceased to exist.

Buffalo, N. Y., was selected as the place for the Imperial Council to hold its next annual session, and the time was set for June 14, 1899.

OFFICIAL PAST IMPERIAL POTENTATE'S JEWEL

The jewel which was presented to Past Imperial Potentate Harrison Dingman was adopted as official. It follows very closely the design of those presented to the two preceding retiring Imperial Potentates, and therefore a resolution was adopted to make the jewel uniform. A description of the jewel follows :

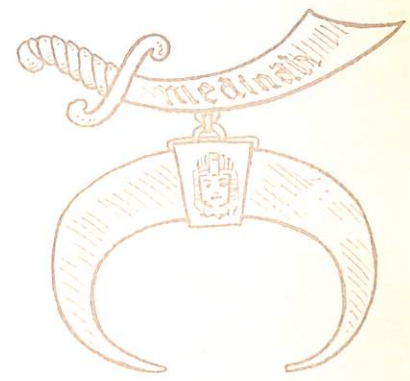
Weight, 17 pennyweight; length, 7 inches; material, 14 carat gold and platinum, set with diamonds. The jewel is composed of a bar, the length of which is 2 5-16 inches, made of gold, on which are raised pyramids of platinum. Connected to the bar by ornamental scrolls is a round disc of gold 2 1-4 inches in diameter, representing the seal of the Imperial Council. On the border in raised letters is :

ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER
IMPERIAL COUNCIL
NOBLES OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE

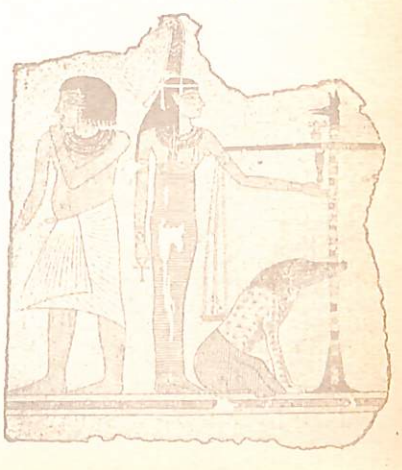
In the center of the seal is a raised pyramid of platinum, and on the pyramid a raised gold sphinx, surrounding which, in raised gold letters, are these words :

North America, June 6, 1876.

Connected with this seal by ornamental scrolls is the Shrine badge, composed of a pair of genuine tiger claws, mounted in crescent form by a band of gold, a border of which is set with diamonds. Upon this band of gold is a sphinx head carved of tigerite. A gold band across the brow and throat, and the usual draperies at the side of the sphinx head, are also set with diamonds. Below the band of the throat is a five-pointed star in which is set a solitaire diamond. Connected with the tiger-claw crescent by a gold scroll is a larger five-pointed star, the surface



MEDINAH TEMPLE
CHICAGO, ILL.



of which is black enamel, and set on this five-pointed star in a separable screw setting is a solitaire diamond. Attached to the lower part of this star is a gold crescent which is also set with diamonds.

Upon the back of the seal is engraved:

IMPERIAL COUNCIL
A. A. O. N. M. S.
OF NORTH AMERICA.
HARRISON DINGMAN
IMPERIAL POTENTATE

The design was prepared by a firm of jewelers in Detroit, Mich., at a price of $500.

The Imperial officers were elected as follows:

ETHELBERT F. ALLEN, Imperial Potentate, Kansas City, Mo.

JOHN H. ATWOOD, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Leavenworth, Kan.

LOU P. WINSOR, Imperial Chief Rabban, Reed City, Mich.

PHILIP C. SHAFFER, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Philadelphia, Pa.

HENRY C. AIKIN, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, Omaha, Neb.

GEORGE H. GREEN, Imperial Oriental Guide, Dallas, Texas.

WILLIAM S. BROWN, Imperial Treasurer, Pittsburg, Pa.

BENJAMIN W. ROWELL, Imperial Recorder, Boston, Mass.

HENRY A. COLLINS, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, Toronto, Can.

RIAL S. PECK, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Hartford, Conn.

GEORGE L. BROWN, Imperial Marshal, Buffalo, N. Y.

ARCHIBALD L. SLOAN, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Chattanooga, Tenn.

ALVAH P. CLAYTON, Imperial Outer Guard, St. Joseph, Mo.

A motion was adopted for the purchase of a Past Imperial Potentate's jewel for Illustrious Noble McGaffey. On motion of Noble James McGee, of Mecca Temple, the committee was composed of James McGee, Mecca Temple, New York City; Edward P. Jordan, Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, and Thad. B. Beecher, Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn.

The thanks of the Imperial Council were extended to the Nobles of Hella Temple, and to the Nobles and ladies of Texas for their generous hospitality.

CHARTER REFUSED IN PHILIPPINES

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations recommended that a charter be granted to the petitioners for a temple at Manila, under a title to be approved by the Imperial Potentate when the proper papers were presented to him, the fee for this dispensation to be refunded if in the judgment of the Imperial Council, it be proper to do so.

The motion to adopt this report was laid on the table by a vote of 76 to 12, thus disposing of the question of a temple for Manila.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

Imperial Potentate Ethelbert E. Allen convened the Imperial Council for the twenty-fifth annual session at the German-American Hall in the city of Buffalo, June 14, 1899. The pilgrimage to Buffalo was a large one, and was attended not only by the representatives, but by large delegations from the various temples of the country, with full Arab patrols in many instances. Buffalo was elaborately decorated in honor of the occasion, and the Shrine fez was much in evidence. The Imperial Council was welcomed by the Mayor of the city, and by the Potentate of Ismailia Temple, Noble Erastus C. Knight, and by Assistant Rabban Noble Thomas Penny.

The Illustrious Potentate mentioned in his address the entering the Unseen Temple of Illustrious Noble George W. Starr, Potentate of Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Md., October 18, 1898; of Noble Augustus Winnette Peters, Past Potentate of Mecca Temple, New York, December 29, 1898; of Noble Joseph Eichbaum, Treasurer of Syria Temple, Pittsburg, Pa., April 15, 1899, and of Noble Joseph Theodore Haskell, of Abdallah Temple. Noble Haskell was a Brigadier-General of the United States Volunteers, and died at Columbus, Ohio, September 16, 1898, as the result of wounds received in the battle of Santiago, Cuba.

The Imperial Potentate, having caused special investigation to be made of Salaam Temple at Olney, Ill., the charter of which was withdrawn at the last session of the Imperial Council, and recognizing the fact that the condition of its membership had been brought about more by neglect than want of appreciation on the part of its officers rather than on the part of its individual members, he therefore authorized the Imperial Recorder to issue dimits upon application to such Nobles as were in good standing at the time the temple was suspended, upon receipt of two dollars with each application. This action met with the approval of the Nobles of Salaam Temple.

The Imperial Potentate reported that no progress had been made in the matter of the establishment of Zenobia Temple at Toledo, Ohio, because no agreement had been reached as to the jurisdiction, the other temples in the State of Ohio failing to make any concession, although Zenobia Temple asked only for Lucas County (in which county Toledo is situated), leaving the other near-by counties to the other temples in the State. Antioch Temple opposed the granting of the dispensation until the members of Antioch Temple residing in Lucas County should be recognized, and an opportunity given to them to become charter members, should they so desire.

SHRINE DAY AT OMAHA EXHIBITION

The official visitations made by the Imperial Potentate during his term of office included a joint ceremonial session of Tangier and Sesostris Temples, located respectively at Omaha, and Lincoln, Neb., and attended by the Potentates and Nobles of near-by temples. The date was September 14, 1898, which was Shrine Day at the Trans-Missouri Exposition, Omaha. Nobles from every direction began assembling a day or two before, many of whom remained the entire week. The welcome reception to the Nobles and their ladies was given by the Nebraska Nobles at the Mercer Hotel during the evening of the 13th, and continued until midnight.

The following morning the Nobles repaired to the Auditorium, where the ceremony of presenting the key of the city of Omaha was performed by Noble Frank E. Moores, Mayor of the city, and the welcome of the Exposition extended by President Gerdon W. Wattles.

September 15th witnessed the ceremonial session of the two Nebraska Temples held in Boyd's Theater, which was one of the largest and most enthusiastic ceremonial sessions it was the privilege of the Imperial Potentate to witness.

Seventy-four candidates were introduced into the mysteries of the Shrine. At the completion of the work a special entertainment was given, followed by an hour of pleasure, and a theater party and entertainment.

Among the other official visitations made by the Imperial Potentate were: To Naja Temple, Deadwood, S. Dak.; Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.; Isis Temple, Salina, Kan.; Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kan.; Moila Temple, St. Joseph, Mo.; Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo.; El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.; Mecca Temple, New York City; and Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill.

Among the charities of the temples, which are commonly observed by practically all of the temples, Ismailia Temple gave a mammoth Thanksgiving dinner to the news boys at the Forty-seventh Reginent Armory in Buffalo. About one thousand two hundred boys were entertained at the dinner, and a large quantity of the rations which remained were distributed among the charity institutions.

The Imperial Potentate reported no further progress in regard to the establishment of a Shrine temple in England.

The request for a Shrine in Mexico, however, was renewed. Requests from various resident Nobles in the way of communications had been received, and assistance had been assured from El Zaribah Temple, of Phœnix, Ariz. After careful consideration the Imperial Potentate was unable to offer any encouragement.

Noble C. A. Galbraith, now a resident of Hilo, Hawaiian Islands, wrote with reference to the establishment of a temple in the Sandwich Islands. In reply the Imperial Potentate asked for a statement as to the number of Knights Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Masons belonging to consistories under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Council in the United States resident in Hawaii, but has received no further communications.

The annual report of the Imperial Recorder showed a total membership, May 1, 1899, of 50,069, a net gain for the year of 2644.

The report of the Imperial Treasurer showed his receipts during the year to have been $19,717.65, and his disbursements $18,953.15, leaving a balance on hand of $15,687.28. The cash receipts were $100.30 less than last year, and the expenditures $4539.67 in excess of last year.

The excess in the expenditures may be explained by the fact that the last session of the Imperial Council was held at Dallas, Texas, while the previous sessions have been held nearly always east of the Mississippi and north of the forty-sixth parallel. Thus the expenditure for mileage for the pilgrimage to Dallas was much heavier than the previous trips; however, the condition of the treasury had become such that it has been easily possible to meet these contingencies.

The Imperial Council adjourned to meet in the District of Columbia, June 6, 1900, but empowering the Imperial Potentate to make such changes in the date as might be deemed advisable after a conference with the officers of Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.

At the last session of the Imperial Council the salary of the Imperial Recorder was reduced from $2400 to $2000. The Committee on Finances and Accounts now found that the Imperial Recorder was obliged to pay out of that salary, for office rent, stenographer, engraving of diplomas, $1150, leaving only $850 as compensation for his personal services, and for that reason recommended the restoration of the salary to $2400, and the Imperial Council so ordered.

EFFORT TO CHANGE COLOR OF FEZ

An effort was made to amend the Constitution with reference to the fez, so that it should read as follows:

"The red Turkish fez is adopted as a uniform style for head covering for all Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, excepting Potentates and Past Potentates, who shall wear the white Turkish fez."

The Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws reported adversely. Prior to 1888 various officers of temples were required to wear a different colored fez, white, green, yellow, black, and red; but in 1888 the Imperial Council decreed that the red fez, which is usually worn by the Sultan or Kalif, should be adopted as the uniform style of head covering for all Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. This was thought to be so appropriate a proceeding that the white-fezed Potentates walked up to the dais in the East and deposited all their white fezes in a row, and entered upon the new order of things, where all members of the Nobility were equal. In view of these facts the committee could see no reason for the change and reported adversely, which report was adopted by the Imperial Council.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations turned the Ohio dispute over to a committee representing one member from each of the five different temples, with the result that it was decided that Zenobia Temple should have sole jurisdiction in the counties of Lucas, Ottawa, Sandusky, Seneca, and Wyandot, and should have concurrent jurisdiction with Antioch and Syrian Temples in the remainder of the territory now held as concurrent jurisdiction by Antioch.

Dispensation was granted for the formation of Kalurah Temple, at Binghamton, N. Y., and petitioners for a temple at Mobile, Ala., were given leave to withdraw, for the reason that the committee did not find sufficient material in Alabama for the formation of another temple.

The Imperial officers were chosen as follows:

John H. Atwood, Imperial Potentate, Leavenworth, Kan.

Lou B. Winsor, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Reed City, Mich.

Philip C. Shaffer, Imperial Chief Rabban, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Edwin I. Alderman, Imperial Outer Guard, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

The Imperial Council assembled at the National Capitol on the 22d day of May, 1900, for the twenty-sixth annual session. This gathering was one of the largest that had ever convened, several thousand Nobles and their ladies being present.

Noble Frank H. Thomas, Potentate of Almas Temple deliv-

ALGERIA TEMPLE
HELENA MONTANA

AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE
LOS ANGELES, CAL.

ered, in the Columbia Theater, the address of welcome to the city, and introduced the Hon. John W. Rose, Commissioner of the District of Columbia, who made a felicitous address. Past Imperial Potentate Harrison Dingman delivered an address on behalf of Almas Temple.

ETIQUETTE OF THE SHRINE

The question of Shrine etiquette was incorporated in the address of the Imperial Potentate, John H. Atwood, in which he said:

"It seems to me that there should be some degree of uniformity in the demeanor of Nobles of temples toward their Potentates, and of the Potentates toward their temples. My observation during my term of office has led me to the conclusion that too many Potentates think themselves to be filling an office that is tantamount to that of Moderator in a New England town meeting. Such is not the fact. The Potentate of a temple is the Sheik of his tribe, absolute in his rule during his reign, and amenable to no one except the Imperial Council. I have seen Potentates return the salaam that is extended to them from the altar. This is little in keeping with the relationship existing between a Noble and the Potentate.

"Upon entering or retiring from a temple, a Noble presents himself at the altar and salaams to the one who happens to be for the time the ruler of the temple. The salutation is to the high office rather than to the individual who chances to be Potentate, and being such, is not a personal courtesy that requires the return of a like salutation. Any recognition of the salaam is sufficient, from the making of the sign of our Order to a nod of the head; but for the occupant of the throne to bow to the subject as the subject bows to the throne tends to make ridiculous that which otherwise is a dignified proceeding. The ruler is naturally the recipient of evidences of respect, — his office entitles him to that, — and he is not required to indulge in exaggerated manifestations of gratitude for receiving that which is due to the place which he occupies."

Among the official visitations made by the Imperial Potentate during his term of office were: to Moila Temple, St. Joseph, Mo.; Isis Temple, Salina, Kan.; Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo.; Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.; Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Md.; Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mecca Temple, New York City; Sphinx Temple, Hartford, Conn.; Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn.; and Aleppo Temple, Boston, Mass.

STRENGTH AND WEALTH OF THE ORDER

Imperial Recorder Rowell reported a total of 226 members of the Imperial Council, with a total of 81 temples, all of which made returns for the year, showing a total of 55,454 members May 1, 1900, a net increase of 5384 for the year. The total receipts in dues, fees, etc., as shown by the report of the Imperial Treasurer, were $25,138.42. Total expenditures on warrants were $16,822.77, and the balance in bank amounted to $24,200.59. The cash receipts were $5,420.77 in excess of the previous year, and the warrants paid were $2,129.28 less than the year before.

The Imperial Council took a recess in order to participate with the ladies, who accompanied the Nobles, in a planked shad luncheon served at Riverside, on the Potomac River, under the auspices of Almas Temple.

CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS

At the second day's session charters were granted to Kalurah Temple, Binghamton, N. Y., and Karnak Temple, Montreal, Quebec.

Dispensation was requested for the establishment of a temple at Mobile, Ala., but because of the fact that there were only 298 Knights Templar in Alabama and but 65 Scottish Rite Masons of the thirty-second degree, unfavorable action was taken. Zamora Temple, founded November 10, 1890, and located at Birmingham, Ala., had a membership of 250 or more, and after considering the number of eligibles remaining in the State of Alabama, the state of affairs did not seem to justify the establishment of a second temple.

Dispensation was granted for the establishment of a temple of the Order at Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, the petition having been presented through Islam Temple, San Francisco.

Dispensation was likewise granted for a temple to be known as Za-Ga-Zig Temple at Des Moines, Iowa, with a territorial arrangement preventing conflicts between Za-Ga-Zig, Kaaba, and El Kahir.

The following officers were chosen for the ensuing term:

Lou B. Winsor, Imperial Potentate, Reed City, Mich.

Philip C. Shaffer, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Philadelphia, Pa.

Henry C. Aikin, Imperial Chief Rabban, Omaha, Neb.

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Archibald N. Sloan, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Chattanooga, Tenn.

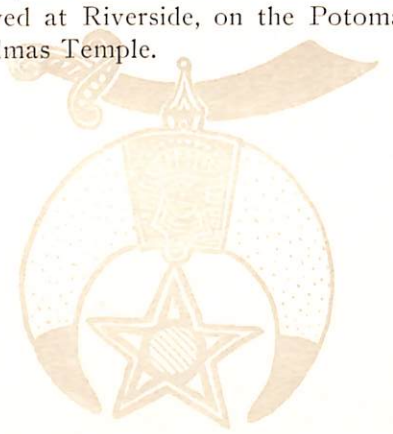
George L. Street, Imperial Outer Guard, Richmond, Va.

RECEIVED BY THE PRESIDENT

On the evening of May 23 the officers of the Imperial Council and the representatives and their ladies were received by the President of the United States and Mrs. McKinley at the White House. At the session of the Imperial Council the next day the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Imperial Council be extended to the President and Mrs. McKinley for the courtesy of receiving the Nobility and their ladies on the evening of May 23, 1900."

Kismet Temple, of Brooklyn, N. Y., was again unsuccessful in its efforts to obtain exclusive jurisdiction over Long Island, yet at the same time granting exclusive jurisdiction to Mecca Temple over the county of New York, the territory lying northwest thereof toward Albany and west thereof toward Binghamton, N. Y., with concurrent jurisdiction over the borough of Richmond, otherwise known as Staten Island. Mecca Temple opposed the request of Kismet Temple, and insisted that the existing compact between Kismet and Mecca Temples, which was the one prayed for by Kis-



met Temple, be maintained. The committee believed it should not be set aside by the Imperial Council without the consent of both parties to the agreement. This was also the view of the Imperial Council.

NOTABLE PILGRIMAGE TO HAWAII

Imperial Potentate Lou B. Winsor undertook personally to institute Aloha Temple, at Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, and arranged for the institution to be held in March, 1901. The members of Saladin Temple, Grand Rapids, Mich., of which Noble Winsor was Potentate, on learning of his proposed pilgrimage, requested the privilege of forming his escort. It was desired that Islam Temple, of San Francisco, should participate also in the institution of Aloha Temple, and the Imperial Potentate felt that it could be arranged that these two temples could act in conjunction. However, after considerable correspondence with Islam Temple, that temple decided to go ahead with the proposed visit to Honolulu and the neighboring islands which had been arranged for October, 1900, and Islam accordingly did so.

The visit of the Imperial Potentate to Honolulu was left in the hands of a committee of arrangements for Saladin Temple, who invited other Nobles residing in different oases to join the caravan. A total of 114 Nobles, 58 ladies, and 2 lads formed the caravan. There were represented thirty-five out of the eighty-two chartered temples and twenty-three States of the Union. The Imperial Recorder, Benjamin W. Rowell, was a member of the caravan, and there were also a number of other members of the Imperial Council.

The Imperial train started from Grand Rapids, February 24, 1901, and arrived at the oasis of Medinah Temple, in Chicago, at 4.30 P. M., where the caravan was met by Illustrious Potentate John W. Swatek and members of his temple, who escorted the Imperial party of Medinah Temple, where refreshments were served. They were escorted to the station for departure at 7.30 P. M.

Seven o'clock on the morning of February 26 found the caravan in the oasis of Za-Ga-Zig Temple, at Des Moines, Iowa, and breakfast was served at the caravansary of Past Potentate Macartney. After a halt of two hours the caravan proceeded, arriving at St. Joseph, Mo., at 1.30 P. M. The Arab Patrol of Moila Temple and a band met the caravan at the station and escorted the pilgrims to and from the hotel for luncheon. Leavenworth, Kan., the home of Abdallah Temple, was reached at 4.45 P. M., and a stop of an hour was made, the journey being resumed to Kansas City, Mo., where the Nobles of Ararat Temple met them at the Union Depot and escorted them to the Blossom House for dinner. Afterwards a train of special trolley cars was taken for the Coates House, where a reception was given by the Nobles and ladies of Ararat Temple.

Departure from Kansas City was made at 11 P. M., and Wednesday, February 27, the train was boarded at Dennison, Tex., by Imperial Assistant Rabban George H. Green and Noble Joseph Swope, who escorted the caravan to the oasis of Hella Temple, at Dallas, which was reached at 4 P. M. Four hours were spent enjoying the hospitality of the Hella Nobles, which included a tour of the city and a banquet at the Oriental Hotel. The caravan departed at 8 P. M., and twenty-four hours later halted at El Paso, Texas, where a coterie of Shriners resident there gave a warm reception.

Phœnix, Ariz., the oasis of El Zaribah Temple, was reached at 3 P. M. on Friday, March 1. Nearly all the town was at the railway station, and among the attractions were an Indian band and a Chinese band. An exhibition of broncho busting by cowboys was followed by a banquet at Masonic Temple. Later a visit was made in carriages to the Indian School, the Capitol buildings, and other sights of Phœnix, and the journey toward the setting sun was resumed at 7 P. M.

A brief stop was made at Redlands, Cal., Saturday, March 2, for a drive through the orange groves, and Los Angeles was reached at 1 P. M. Here the Nobles of Al Malaikah Temple had arranged a programme covering the thirty hours which had been arranged for the stop. Potentate Fred M. Smith met the caravan at the station and escorted the members to the Westminster Hotel, where a private reception was held, followed by a public reception at the Chamber of Commerce. In the evening a glittering street pageant was given, and the Imperial Potentate was placed at the top of a high float, "wrapped in the exclusiveness of his own dignity," as he has officially written. The carnival was followed by a banquet.

Sunday the party was taken in tallyhoes to Pasadena and to Arcadia, the ranch of "Lucky" Baldwin, where dinner was served beneath the great oak trees. Past Imperial Potentate Charles M. Field arrived from San Francisco to escort the caravan to the oasis of Islam Temple, and departure was made at 6 P. M., Sunday, San Francisco being reached at noon on Monday, March 4. A reception was held at the Palace Hotel, and the keys of the city were turned over by Potentate Joseph C. Campbell, of Islam Temple. On Tuesday a luncheon was served at the Cliff House, followed by a drive through beautiful Golden Gate Park, and in the evening a reception and ball was given by Islam Temple in honor of the visitors.

Wednesday was devoted to excursions by boat to the great shipbuilding yards of the Union Iron Works, the Presidio, Sausalito, Fort Point, and El Campo.

Thursday, March 7, the caravan boarded the steamship "Sierra" and sailed out of the Golden Gate, reaching Honolulu at 1.30 P. M. on the afternoon of Wednesday, March 13. The Nobles of the new temple came out in a tug, and automobiles were in waiting at the dock to escort the Imperial party to the hotel.

INSTITUTION OF ALOHA TEMPLE

Aloha Temple was instituted under dispensation on the evening of Thursday, March 14, and Noble C. B. Wood duly installed as the first Potentate. The following evening a ceremonial session of the new temple was held. This was preceded by a characteristic Shrine parade through the principal streets of Honolulu, and the Imperial party was photographed on the steps of the palace of former Queen Liliuokalani. Forty sons of the desert made the pilgrimage over the hot sands at the ceremonial session and the divan formed for the occasion was as follows:

Lou B. Winsor, Imperial Potentate.

Frank O. Evans, Potentate of Za-Ga-Zig Temple, Chief Rabban.

William H. McGregor, Moslem Temple, Assistant Rabban.

Nathan A. Stoddard, Saladin Temple, High Priest and Prophet.

Charles E. Fink, Saladin Temple, Oriental Guide.

WILLIAM WENTE, Saladin Temple, Treasurer.
BENJAMIN W. ROWELL, Imperial Recorder.
W. G. P. JACOBS, El Riad Temple, First Ceremonial Master.
B. D. VAUGHN, Moslem Temple, Second Ceremonial Master.
LUCIAN E. WOOD, Saladin Temple, Marshal.
CHARLES B. QUIGLEY, Saladin Temple, Director.
C. V. DYKEMAN, Kismet Temple, Captain of the Guard.
JOHN A. WOLCOTT, Saladin Temple, Outer Guard.
DR. FRED N. BONINE, Saladin Temple, Alchemist.
DR. LOUIS BARTH, Saladin Temple, Alchemist.
COL. J. C. HERKNER, Saladin Temple, Captain of Arab Patrol.

Sixteen other members of the caravan, from various temples, formed the Arab Patrol.

The ceremonies were performed according to the usual custom and all the mystic rites were observed, the session lasting until a late hour.

Then followed days of sightseeing and gayety. Saturday a native feast was participated in. Monday a banquet was served at Moana Hotel to three hundred Nobles and their ladies. Excursions were taken to the Islands of Molokai, Maui, Lauai, Hawaii, and the volcano of Kilauea on Tuesday. Wednesday evening there was a ball. Saturday, March 23, an excursion was taken to Mauna Loa and on the 25th a great theater party was given.

Every day was filled with pleasure and sightseeing, and the Nobles of the new temple were unremitting in their attentions. Finally, on Thursday, April 4, the Imperial party sailed on its return, reaching San Francisco Wednesday, April 10. Departure was made at 8 P. M. on the special train for Portland, Ore., the oasis of Al Kader Temple. On arrival at 9 A. M. Friday, April 12, Potentate Irving W. Pratt, and others of Al Kader Temple, escorted the visitors to the Portland Hotel, where the breakfast included a sixty-pound Chinook salmon.

A delightful day was spent in Portland. The visitors were escorted to Council Crest, an eminence a thousand feet above the city, affording a wonderful panorama in every direction. Below nestles the city and the Williamette and Columbia rivers. To the west a glimpse of the Pacific may be had, while to the east the perpetual snow-capped peaks of Mt. Adams, Mt. Hood, Mt. Ranier, Mt. Helen, and Mt. Shasta lift their heads above the clouds.

A committee from Afifi Temple, of Tacoma, Wash., met the caravan at Portland, and escorted them to Tacoma, where in the evening a banquet was served at Masonic Hall. The departure was made at 11 P. M.

The afternoon of April 13 was spent as the guests of the El Katif Temple, Spokane, Wash.

The Nobles of Algeria Temple, Helena, Mont., received the party in passing, and decorated them with souvenirs, and the morning of April 16 was spent as the guests of El Zagal Temple, Fargo, N. Dak. The reception included the Shrine band, numbering twenty-eight pieces, every player a Noble.

In the evening the party was entertained at the West Hotel, Minneapolis, Minn., by Zuhrah Temple. The ladies of the caravan attended a reception at the West Hotel, while the Nobles witnessed the ceremonial session of Zuhrah Temple.

Chicago was reached on the afternoon of the 17th of April, when the caravan separated after a trip covering 3448 miles, not one of the party any the worse for the pilgrimage.

TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

The twenty-seventh annual session of the Imperial Council was held in the Standard Theater, Kansas City, Mo., June 11 and 12, 1901. The feature of the opening session was the singing of the Modoc Glee Club, of Topeka, Kan. Imperial Potentate Winsor had put in a busy year, and his address was one of unusual interest. Besides his tour to Honolulu he made official visitations to Za-Ga-Zig Temple, Des Moines, Iowa, for its institution; Osman Temple, St. Paul, Minn.; Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, Minn.; Moila Temple, St. Joseph, Mo.; Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kan.; Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo.; Moslem Temple, Detroit, Mich.; Damascus Temple, Rochester, N. Y.; Kalurah Temple, Binghamton, N. Y.; Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mecca Temple, New York City; Aleppo Temple, Boston, Mass.; Palestine Temple, Providence, R. I.; Ziyara Temple, Utica, N. Y.; and Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y. In all he visited twenty-eight temples during the year.

One of the ambitions of the Imperial Potentate's life was realized when in making the pilgrimage to Mecca he was duly enrolled in the Book of Sheiks and decorated with the Haji badge.

The visit to Palestine Temple, Providence, was also notable, because Providence is his native city, and this was his first return after many years, so that the occasion of the official visit was of double importance to him.

The Imperial Recorder reported the number of members of the Imperial Council to be 246, and the number of temples 83, with a total membership of 60,422.

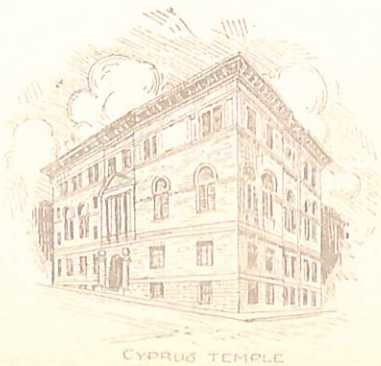
The financial statement made by the Imperial Treasurer showed the cash receipts for the year to have been $26,323.60, and warrants paid aggregating $20,062.63, with a balance in the bank to the credit of the Imperial Council of $30,815.96.

A charter was granted to Aloha Temple, Honolulu, Hawaii, but the request of Nobles of western Pennsylvania, now members of Zem Zem and Syria, for a dispensation for the formation of a temple at Newcastle, Pa., was refused, because in the opinion of the Imperial Council there were not sufficient eligibles to justify a successful temple.

KISMET TEMPLE VICTORIOUS

The long drawn out contest between Kismet and Mecca Temples, which had been occupying considerable time of the Imperial Council at the recent sessions, again came up for discussion, and was the subject of a lengthy address by Noble James McGee of Mecca Temple, while Noble William O. Campbell was heard in behalf of Kismet Temple. A resolution was finally adopted that Kismet Temple should have the exclusive jurisdiction over all the territory of Long Island, and that Mecca Temple should have exclusive jurisdiction over all other territory now occupied, or that has been occupied, by Kismet Temple and Mecca Temple concurrently. The vote stood on this: affirmative, 142; negative, 69.

Za-Ga-Zig Temple, at Des Moines, Iowa, after one year's trial, complained that the territory assigned it was unsatisfactory and asked for a redivision of the State of Iowa, placing Za-Ga-Zig Temple on an equal footing with her two sister temples. The Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws reported that Za-Ga-Zig Temple had not presented the matters in dispute to the other temples in Iowa, and had made no effort to secure any agreement with them. The committee therefore recommended that the petition of Za-Ga-Zig Temple be rejected, and this action was taken by the Imperial Council.



The election of officers was held with the following result:

Philip C. Shaffer, Imperial Potentate, Philadelphia, Pa.

Henry C. Aikin, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Omaha, Neb.

George H. Green, Imperial Chief Rabban, Dallas, Tex.

George L. Brown, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Buffalo, N. Y.

Henry A. Collins, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, Toronto, Can.

Alvah P. Clayton, Imperial Oriental Guide, St. Joseph, Mo.

William S. Brown, Imperial Treasurer, Pittsburg, Pa.

Benjamin W. Rowell, Imperial Recorder, Boston, Mass.

Rial S. Peck, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, Hartford, Conn.

Edwin I. Alderman, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

George L. Street, Imperial Marshal, Richmond, Va.

Charles F. Beck, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Detroit, Mich.

Frank C. Roundy, Imperial Outer Guard, Chicago, Ill.

The Imperial Council indorsed the project undertaken by the Missouri Fraternal Congress to erect a fraternal building at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition of 1904, and approved of the plan of raising the required amount by contributions from members.

San Francisco was chosen as the next place of meeting for the Imperial Council. Some years ago, when the Order was not so strong as at present, San Francisco was selected as the place for meeting, but it became necessary to deny Islam Temple the privilege of entertaining the Imperial Council because of lack of funds, and at that time the session was held at Pittsburg instead.

Islam Temple had from time to time since then expressed the hope that the Imperial Council would come to the Golden Gate. Oriental Temple, at Troy, N. Y., invited the Imperial Council to meet at Saratoga Springs, Lu Lu Temple of Philadelphia also invited the Imperial Council to meet there.

The committee heard the appeals on behalf of San Francisco, Saratoga Springs, and Philadelphia, and the majority of the committee reported in favor of San Francisco. The minority, however, favored Saratoga, basing their argument on the statement that the temples in the far West represented less than twenty per cent of the entire membership of the Order, and claiming that many of the temples east of the Mississippi would actually be deprived of representation in the Imperial Council if the meeting should be held in San Francisco.

The Imperial Council rejected the minority report by a vote of 121 to 84, and the invitation of Islam Temple was accepted.

SHRINE DAY AT BUFFALO EXPOSITION

Noble Frank Gilbert, of Ismailia Temple, addressed the Imperial Council on the importance of having a date set aside by the managers of the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo as "Shrine Day," and on behalf of the exposition management extended an invitation to all the Nobles of the Order to attend the exposition on August 31, 1901. This invitation was accepted by the Imperial Council, and the day was officially made Shrine Day at the exposition.

A large number of Nobles assembled at the exposition in Buffalo for this occasion. There was a heavy downpour of rain at the time set for the general rendezvous. At 10.30 A. M. it was still storming, and for a time looked as if a part of the programme would have to be abandoned. An hour later, however, the sun broke through the clouds and enabled Noble George F. Loder, with the Arab Patrol from Damascus Temple, to give an exhibition drill, which received loud applause from the assembled Shriners. Then the parade was formed, headed by the Orlean band and the Arab Patrol of Ismailia Temple. Next in line were the officers and members of the Imperial Council, together with strong delegations from Ismailia, Damascus, and Mecca Temples, and a large number of other Nobles, representing almost every temple in the country. This parade was augmented by the camels and elephants, Indian-chief warriors from a circus, with water buffaloes and inhabitants of the Filipino village; in fact, every desirable attraction was added to make the procession picturesque in the extreme. It was estimated that fully five thousand Nobles were in line.

At the conclusion of the parade the Nobles joined their ladies in the Temple of Music, where the Illustrious Potentate of Ismailia Temple extended a welcome to the Council on behalf of that Temple. The Hon. Conrad Diehl, Mayor of Buffalo, delivered a large golden key, which he said unlocked the gates of the city of Buffalo, and the Hon. W. J. Buchanan bade the Nobles welcome on behalf of the Exposition.

Imperial Potentate Philip C. Shaffer was present on this occasion and responded to the address of welcome. Addresses were also made by Past Imperial Potentate Samuel Briggs, and by Imperial High Priest and Prophet Harry A. Collins, while others of the Imperial Council were present, including Imperial Assistant Rabban George L. Brown, Imperial Recorder Benjamin W. Rowell, Past Imperial Potentate Lou B. Winsor, and a large number of representatives.

The New York State building at the exposition was the headquarters for all Shriners and their ladies, while everything possible was done for all, Ismailia Temple entertaining during the entire day and evening.

TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

The Palace Hotel in San Francisco was selected as the headquarters of the Imperial Council for the twenty-eighth annual session, and the sessions of the Imperial Council were held in Golden Gate Hall.

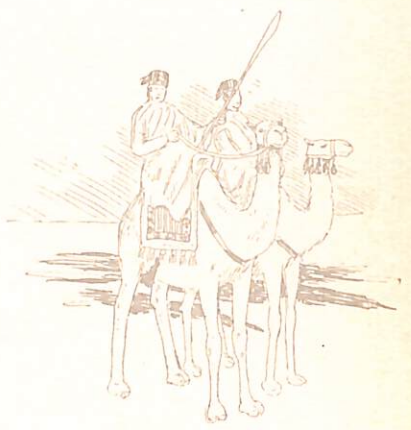
San Francisco was elaborately decorated for the occasion, and the usual hearty and whole-souled welcome which was extended the Imperial Council and its unusually large caravan was greatly appreciated by the members.

Islam Temple had carefully planned a week of entertainment, and had divided the work among numerous committees, so that nothing seemed to be wanting when the Nobles and their ladies began arriving, June 9, 1902.

Escorts met each train and ferry, and the arriving visitors were taken first to headquarters to be registered and provided with credentials admitting to many courtesies arranged for the week, and thence to their headquarters. So well was the work arranged that there was not the slightest confusion.

This being the first meeting of the Imperial Council west of the Rocky Mountains, some notable pilgrimages were made by temples in the East. Special trains were chartered, starting well in advance of the time of the meeting of the Imperial Council and stopping en route at points of interest, where the travelers received the attention of the Nobles resident there.

OASIS TEMPLE
CHARLOTTE, N.C.



MURAT TEMPLE
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

Market street, through which the parade was to move, was gayly decorated, and the whole city was in holiday attire. The line of march was through Market street to the Ferry Building, and there counter-marching, passing the Palace, the Grand, and other large hotels. Brilliant illuminations and fireworks formed an important feature of the display. Books of coupons were handed to each of the visitors and the ladies. These coupons called for various entertainments or excursions throughout the week, including a performance at the Chinese Theater, excursions to Golden Gate Park and the Cliff House, Oakland, and Berkeley, and a trip on the Bay to the great ship-building plant and the Union Iron Works.

Islam Temple had spared neither pains nor expense in making its arrangements for the feast, and the session will be long remembered by those who were fortunate enough to be present.

When the session had been called to order in Golden Gate Hall on June 10, the Lowing Glee Club, consisting of sixty male voices, gave a number of selections. The address of welcome was made by Illustrious Potentate Charles H. Murphy, of Islam Temple, who dwelt upon the green pastures and fertile oases and noble forests of the great State of California, tempered by the breezes from the Pacific, or from the snow-clad mountains, and the wonderful climatic conditions " where sunshine and shadow combine in peace; where storms are hushed and soothed in the lap of comfort."

Mayor E. E. Smitz made an address on behalf of the city, and the response was made by Past Imperial Potentate Lou B. Winsor in place of the Imperial Potentate, who was suffering from a severe hoarseness.

The roll-call of the members of the Imperial Council showed that eighty temples were represented by 231 Nobles, which was ample approbation of the action of the last Imperial Council, where opposition to San Francisco was made and the contention put forth that many of the temples in the East could not afford to send representatives.

ORDER'S WONDERFUL PROSPERITY

In his annual address Imperial Potentate Shaffer dwelt at length upon the wonderful prosperity of the Order, the net gain for the year being 6,391 and the cash receipts exceeding those of last year by $5,430.30.

Official visitations by the Imperial Potentate during his term of office included Shrine Day at the Pan-American Exposition (August 31, 1901) at Buffalo. He also attended nine working sessions of Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.; the silver anniversary of Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, Ohio, October 21, 1901; Sphinx Temple, Hartford, Conn.; Melha Temple, Springfield, Mass.; Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Md.; Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.; Mecca Temple, New York City; Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn.; Zem Zem Temple, Erie, Pa.; Oriental Temple, Troy, N. Y.; Syria Temple, Pittsburg, Pa.; and a session held at Altoona, Pa., where fifty novices were received; and Irem Temple, Wilkesbarre, Pa.

One of the Imperial Potentate's visits of note was that made to Mecca Temple on November 30, 1901. This session of Mecca Temple was held in the city of Newark, N. J., and the Imperial Potentate was accompanied on his journey by the Arab Patrol of Lu Lu Temple and a large number of Nobles who traveled by special train. Headquarters were established at the Continental Hotel, and at 6.30 o'clock in the evening, upon the arrival of the delegation from New York City, a parade was formed with the Arab Patrols of Mecca and Lu Lu Temples, two bands, and a total of about one thousand Nobles.

The entire line of march was illuminated by a color of fire upon the buildings. In the windows there were Shrine emblems prominently displayed, many of the decorations excelling those usually seen at the annual sessions of the Imperial Council. The Auditorium, in which the ceremonial session was held, was arranged with a stage setting of Oriental splendor. One hundred and fifty-four weary sons of the desert joined the caravan in the pilgrimage, and having safely met the Moslem test, were received into the mysteries of the Order.

Imperial Recorder Rowell's report showed that the eighty-three temples of the Order had a total membership, May 1, 1902, of 67,354. The total number of Nobles initiated during the year aggregated 8,590. The Imperial Treasurer's receipts aggregated $31,793.90, and the expenditures on warrants amounted to $22,501.46, the amount of cash remaining in the bank to the credit of the Imperial Council being $40,626.68.

A dispensation was granted for the establishment of El Mina Temple at Galveston, Tex., an arrangement as to jurisdiction having been agreed upon between the representatives of Hella Temple and those representing the new Temple.

The Imperial Council refused the request for the establishment of a temple at Roanoke, Va., and also refused to permit the establishment of one at Seattle, Wash.

In the case of Roanoke it was pointed out that the field in Virginia is not large enough at present for two temples. Acca Temple, at Richmond, had been in existence for sixteen years, and for the greater part of that time had to bear heavy financial burdens.

Seattle is located only thirty-five miles from Tacoma, where Afifi Temple is located, and this is the reason given by the Imperial Council for refusing to establish a temple at Seattle, although Seattle is the larger city, having in recent years outstripped its neighbor.

SHRINE SCORED BY MASONIC GRAND MASTER

The representatives of El Jebel Temple, Denver, Col., transmitted a circular letter issued by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Colorado, A. F. and A. M., together with the reply of El Jebel Temple. It appears that the Arab Patrol of El Jebel Temple gave a public entertainment in the rooms of the Masonic Temple in Denver, and it was claimed that certain things were done which were not regarded as proper, and after investigation by the committee appointed by him, the Grand Master of Masons of Colorado issued a circular letter to the Masonic lodges of his jurisdiction advising and recommending the Master Masons to withhold all applications for initiation in the said " Mystic Shrine" until further orders from him, as Grand Master, or from the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.

To this circular El Jebel Temple made a reply, saying: " There is no rule, by-law, statute, or regulation adopted or recognized by the Order of the Mystic Shrine which is hostile or inimical to the best teachings of the craft to which we belong. While the teachings of the Order are purely social, neither our laws nor our practices contemplate acts or conduct which any good Mason can condemn."

The Imperial Council took the view that the answer of El Jebel Temple was a proper one, and felt that the Imperial Council

could safely "let the matter rest for the present, at least," with that reply.

The special committee was none the less alive to the gravity of a situation wherein the presiding officer of the Grand Lodge warns his members against uniting with an order which is not, and never claimed to be, a Masonic Order, and to which the members, so warned, are not even eligible to membership. The committee, which was composed of William B. Melish, Harrison Dingman, and Ethelbert F. Allen, took the view that the action of the Grand Master of Colorado must have the approval or disapproval of his Grand Lodge, and until this was done, it would, in their opinion, be out of place for the Imperial Council of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine to make any comment or take any official action thereon. The committee, therefore, recommended that no action be taken.

Noble Charles A. Benedict, Potentate of Mecca Temple, addressed Noble Charles L. Field of Islam Temple, and presented to him for the use of Islam Temple, a framed photograph of San Francisco, taken in 1853, the photograph being nine feet long and three feet wide. It is said to be the only view of the city taken at that time. Noble Field accepted the gift on behalf of Islam Temple.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted in the choice of the following:

Henry C. Aikin, Imperial Potentate, Omaha, Neb.
George H. Green, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Dallas, Texas.
George L. Brown, Imperial Chief Rabban, Buffalo, N. Y.
Henry A. Collins, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Toronto, Can.
Alvah P. Clayton, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, St. Joseph, Mo.
Frank C. Roundy, Imperial Oriental Guide, Chicago, Ill.
William S. Brown, Imperial Treasurer, Pittsburg, Pa.
Benjamin W. Rowell, Imperial Recorder, Boston, Mass.
Edwin I. Alderman, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, Marion, Iowa.
George L. Street, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Richmond, Va.
Fred A. Hines, Imperial Marshal, Los Angeles, Cal.
Charles A. Tonsor, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Brooklyn, N. Y.
J. Frank Treat, Imperial Outer Guard, Fargo, N. Dak.

The Imperial Council refused the request of Za-Ga-Zig Temple for a new division of the State of Iowa, thus leaving the agreement in Iowa in full force and effect.

NO NEED FOR AN INDIGENT HOME

Morocco Temple at Jacksonville, Fla., transmitted a resolution suggesting that the Imperial Council take steps looking for the establishment of a permanent home for indigent Shriners, believing that a sum sufficient to build such a home could be realized if five dollars were collected from each Noble for three to five years.

Morocco Temple also suggested in connection with such a home the establishment of a school where the children of indigent Shriners and the dependent orphans of those deceased might be educated, and where the dependent widows of deceased Shriners might find employment and homes.

The Imperial Council, through the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, reported unfavorably in this matter, seeing no reason or necessity at this time for any such action on the part of the Imperial Council. The committee said:

"Under the blessings of Allah which have been bestowed upon the oases in which we have erected our temples, each member of the Nobility has opportunity afforded him to care for himself and those dependent upon him. Besides the Spirit of Charity, especially to those who are of the Household of Faith, it is so thoroughly inculcated in the hearts of the Nobility that indigence is almost unknown among Shriners, and, if known, can find relief in each temple. The many homes for orphans and widows which have been established by the bodies, membership in which is a prerequisite for admission to the Ancient Arabic Order, and of which homes we are advocates and supporters, precludes the necessity of establishing an eleemosynary institution under the auspices or control of the Imperial Council."

Kosair Temple, at Louisville, Ky., under date of May 17, preferred charges against Syrian Temple at Cincinnati, Ohio, transmitting a list of some fifty Nobles from the Jurisdiction of Kosair Temple who had been admitted to the Order in Syrian Temple, most of them living in Covington, Ky. In many cases, it appeared upon investigation that the applicants gave their residences as Cincinnati. The Imperial Council did not feel required to take any action in this matter, because since the appeal was lodged an agreement was reached between the two temples whereby Syrian Temple agreed to be more careful in accepting petitions from candidates who resided within the territory of Kosair Temple.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

Saratoga Springs, N. Y., was the place of meeting of the twenty-ninth annual session of the Imperial Council, commencing July 8, 1903. The sessions were held at the Broadway Theater. The attendance was large, and the Oriental Temple of Troy was the particular host upon this occasion.

Among the acts of the Imperial Potentate during his term of office was the granting of the charter of El Mina Temple, and the establishment by dispensation of Gizeh Temple, at Victoria, B. C.; Salaam Temple, at Newark, N. J.; Luxor Temple, at St. John, N. B., and Abba Temple, at Mobile, Ala.

The statistics reported by Imperial Recorder Rowell and Imperial Treasurer Brown showed a total of 87,182 Nobles, an increase of 10,851, the most wonderful growth of any year since the formation of the Imperial Council. The Imperial Recorder received and paid over to the Imperial Treasurer the sum of $42,718.08, and the Imperial Treasurer drew warrants against the same amounting to $34,898.11. After allowing for the expenses of the present session it was estimated that the new Imperial Potentate would start out with a balance of about $32,000. The balance June 1, 1903, was $49,104.69, desposited in Pittsburg banks to the credit of the Imperial Council.

The Imperial Potentate made this statement with great pride, for he recalled the blank look on the faces of some of the officers and members of the Imperial Council when the balance was declared immediately after the session in San Francisco.

Imperial Potentate Aiken had served during an unusually busy year, many questions having come up for his decision. He also made an extended round of official visits, which included Za-Ga-Zig Temple, Des Moines, Iowa; Tangier Temple, Omaha, Neb.; Moila Temple, St. Joseph, Mo.; Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo.; El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Sesostris Temple, Lincoln, Neb.; Osman Temple, St. Paul, Minn.; El Zagal Temple,

MEDINAH TEMPLE
CHICAGO, ILL.

Fargo, N. Dak.; Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.; Kosair Temple, Louisville, Ky.; Alhambra Temple, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Yaarba Temple, Atlanta, Ga.; Morocco Temple, Jacksonville, Fla.; Zamora Temple, Birmingham, Ala.; Hamasa Temple, Meridian, Miss.; Jerusalem Temple, New Orleans, La.; Al Chymia Temple, Memphis, Tenn.; Tebala Temple, Rockford, Ill.; Tripoli Temple, Milwaukee, Wis.; Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill.; and El Riad Temple, Yankton, S. Dak.

NEW TEMPLES CHARTERED

On recommendation of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, charters were granted to the following:

Salaam Temple, Newark, N. J.

Abba Temple, Mobile, Ala.

Cairo Temple, Rutland, Vt.

Abou Ben Adhem Temple, Springfield, Mo.

Gizeh Temple, Victoria, B. C., with jurisdiction over all the territory lying along the Yukon river.

Luxor Temple, St. John, N. B., with jurisdiction over all New Brunswick and half way to the nearest temple in the British possessions in North America.

Charter was also granted to Jaffa Temple, Altoona, Pa., in spite of objections raised by Syria, Zem Zem, Irem, and Rajah Temples, which wished to retain the territory sought by Jaffa.

The Imperial Council refused dispensation to establish a temple at Aberdeen, S. Dak.

CONTROL OF CLUBS AND PATROLS

The Imperial Council approved the report made by the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws to the effect that organizations composed entirely of Shriners, called Turkish patrols, Arab patrols, Shrine clubs, etc., are subject to the authority of the temple to which the members belong.

An attempt was made at this session of the Imperial Council to make the minimum fee for conferring the order $50 instead of $25, which latter minimum had obtained for many years. It was pointed out that of the eighty-five temples of the Order twenty-eight of these charged the minimum fee of $25; one charged $27.50; seventeen charged $30; four charged $35; three charged $40; thirty charged $50; and two charged $100. The present condition of fifty-three temples would, therefore, be disturbed by the proposed amendment.

It was claimed that the dignity of the Order demanded an advance in its fees, but the present law, as well as the proposed one, permitted a temple to increase its fees at its pleasure. When the subject was put to a vote of the Imperial Council 123 voted in favor of an indefinite postponement and 105 opposed delay, so the matter went over to a future session of the Imperial Council.

The election of officers was held with the following result:

George H. Green, Imperial Potentate, Dallas, Texas.

George L. Brown, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Buffalo, N. Y.

Henry A. Collins, Imperial Chief Rabban, Toronto, Ont.

Alvah P. Clayton, Imperial Assistant Rabban, St. Joseph, Mo.

Frank C. Roundy, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, Chicago, Ill.

Edwin I. Alderman, Imperial Oriental Guide, Marion, Iowa.

William S. Brown, Imperial Treasurer, Pittsburg, Pa.

Benjamin W. Rowell, Imperial Recorder, Boston, Mass.

George L. Street, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, Richmond, Va.

Fred A. Hines, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Los Angeles, Cal.

Charles A. Tonsor, Imperial Marshal, Brooklyn, N. Y.

J. Frank Treat, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Fargo, N. Dak.

William J. Cunningham, Imperial Outer Guard, Baltimore, Md.

Nobles George W. Millar and James McGee, of Mecca Temple, New York, and George F. Loder, of Damascus Temple, were elected emeriti members of the Imperial Council.

The by-laws were amended, increasing the salary of the Imperial Treasurer from $300 a year to $500 a year.

Among the notable members of the Order who entered the Unseen Temple during the year was Illustrious Peter J. Freiling, Recorder of Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kan. Noble Freiling was a representative to the Imperial Council from 1901 to 1903 inclusive. He entered the Unseen Temple June 10, 1903.

Atlantic City, N. J., was selected as the place for holding the thirtieth annual session of the Imperial Council, under dates of June 13 and 14, 1904, on the invitation of Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, whose jurisdiction took in the famous resort by the sea.

THIRTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

The Imperial Council convened for the thirtieth annual session at Atlantic City, N. J. The sessions were held in Marine Hall, Young's Pier, July 13 and 14, 1904. Nobles and their ladies accompanied the representatives of the Imperial Council by special trains from many parts of the country. The broad board walk which runs along the front at the famous New Jersey coast resort was crowded with wearers of the fez for the greater part of a week. The usual parade was given, together with drills by the Arab patrols of the various temples.

Noble Joseph F. Stoy, of Lu Lu Temple, and Mayor of Atlantic City, welcomed the Imperial Council and presented a casket which he said contained the keys to the city and to almost everything in the city. Illustrious Potentate George R. Banes, of Lu Lu Temple, also welcomed the Nobles. The response to the addresses of welcome was made by Imperial Potentate George H. Green.

No afternoon session was held, as the officers and representatives of the Imperial Council, upon the invitation of Lu Lu Temple, gathered at the Royal Palace Hotel, where a banquet was served.

Eighty-nine temples were officially represented. The Imperial Potentate expressed himself as highly gratified at the continued growth of the Order. At the close of the fiscal year, April 30, the record showed a total gain of membership of 12,571, and a net gain of 9,545. The total membership, April 30, was 87,727, and the total number of temples, 91. The receipts for the year amounted to $42,526.75, the disbursements were $26,703.53, and the balance in banks to the credit of the Imperial Council was $64,927.91.

Thirty-two temples reported Christmas charities aggregating $13,575.82. The official visitations of the Imperial Potentate during his term of office included Mecca Temple, New York City; El Jebel Temple, Denver, Col.; Sahara Temple, Pine Bluff, Ark.; El Mina Temple, Galveston, Tex.; India Temple, Oklahoma,

Okla.; Ben Hur Temple, Austin, Tex.; Moila Temple, St. Joseph, Mo.; Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo.; Kaaba Temple, Davenport, Iowa; Za-Ga-Zig Temple, Des Moines, Iowa; El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill.; Syria Temple, Pittsburg, Pa.; Aladdin Temple, Columbus, Ohio; Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo.

Deputies and members of the Imperial Divan visited the other temples and officially reported thereon.

Charters were granted to Yelduz Temple, Aberdeen, S. Dak., and Zembo Temple, Harrisburg, Pa. Dispensations were asked and refused for temples at Trenton, N. J., New Castle, Pa., and Hot Springs, Ark. In the case of Hot Springs the pressure was particularly strong, but the subject was deferred one year. It was shown that the State could maintain but one temple, owing to lack of eligible material.

Officers for the ensuing year were chosen as follows:

George L. Brown, Imperial Potentate, Buffalo, N. Y.

Henry A. Collins, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Toronto, Ont.

Alvah P. Clayton, Imperial Chief Rabban, St. Joseph, Mo.

Frank C. Roundy, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Chicago, Ill.

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J. Frank Treat, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Fargo, N. Dak.

William J. Cunningham, Imperial Marshal, Baltimore, Md.

William W. Irwin, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Wheeling, W. Va.

William J. Pettee, Imperial Outer Guard, Oklahoma, Okla.

The question of the amendment of the Constitution increasing the minimum initiation fee from $25 to $50 again came before the Imperial Council, having been deferred from the last session. The recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws that the amendment be rejected was adopted by the Imperial Council, leaving the question of the amount of fees optional with the individual temples, but with the minimum fee of $25.

Before the Imperial Council adjourned the Nobles of the vicinity of Trenton, N. J., secured a reconsideration of the vote by which a dispensation was refused, and a charter was granted to Crescent Temple, with concurrent jurisdiction in the State of New Jersey with Salaam Temple at Newark.

Among the illustrious dead of the year were Noble Charles W. Cushman, representative of Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.; Noble Edward C. Culp, representative of Isis Temple, Salina, Kan., and Noble Edward R. Harris, representative of Moslem Temple, Detroit, Mich.

THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

The Imperial Council held its thirty-first annual session in the International Theater, Niagara Falls, N. Y., commencing June 20, 1905. The headquarters of the Imperial Council were in the International Hotel. There was an unusually large attendance, due to the attractions that are to be found at the always wonderful falls of Niagara.

In his annual address Imperial Potentate George L. Brown reviewed briefly the events of the year, which showed a net increase in membership of 9,069. The total membershp was 96,796. Receipts for the year amounted to $42,839.95, and the expenditures were $30,983.14, leaving a balance to the credit of the Imperial Council of $78,008.57. Christmas charities reported by the various temples aggregated about $20,000.

Dispensations were granted by the Imperial Potentate for the following temples: Khartum, Winnipeg, Man.; Al Amin, Little Rock, Ark.; and Bektash, Concord, N. H.

Official visitations by the Imperial Potentate during his year of office included: Zem Zem Temple, Bradford, Pa.; Moslem Temple, Detroit, Mich.; Kalurah Temple, Binghamton, N. Y.; Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.; Damascus Temple, Rochester, N. Y.; Al Koran Temple, Harrisburg, Pa.; Irem Temple, Wilkesbarre, Pa.; Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill.; Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo.; Syria Temple, Pittsburg, Pa.; Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio; Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.; Oasis Temple, Charlotte, N. C.; Yaarab Temple, Atlanta, Ga.; Alhambra Temple, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Hamasa Temple, Meridian, Miss.; Jerusalem Temple, New Orleans, La.; Morocco Temple, Jacksonville, Fla.; Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn.

DEATH OF ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE SAM BRIGGS

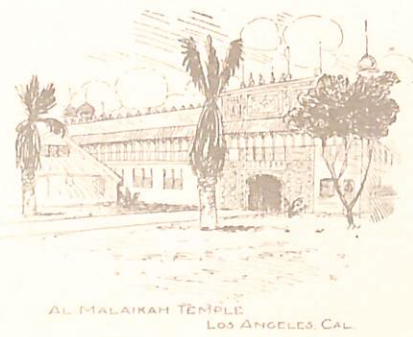
Among the noted dead of the year was Illustrious and Past Imperial Potentate Sam Briggs, of Al Koran Temple, who entered the Unseen Temple December 22, 1904. Illustrious Noble Briggs was one of the organizers, the first member and the first Potentate of Al Koran Temple, of Cleveland. He was one of the men largely responsible for bringing the Order out of a state of chaos and confusion and into that channel from which its progress has been rapid and continuous. He was the second Imperial Potentate and served in that capacity for several years. He received the Order in 1876 at the hands of Noble W. J. Florence, and was responsible for the first celebration of the Order in full ceremonial form, with all the costumes, paraphernalia, etc., setting an example in Al Koran Temple which was emulated throughout the country. He had a large share in the origination of Shrine literature and made applicable many of the Egyptian symbols, terms, and ceremonies.

Noble Briggs was a native of New York, where he was born in 1841. He located in Cleveland in 1865. He received the thirty-third degree of the Scottish Rite in 1885. He was one of the charter members of the Consistory of Northern Ohio, now the Lake Erie Consistory.

The Black Camel also halted before the tent of Noble E. A. Stahlbrodt, a representative of Damascus Temple, February 24, 1905, and before the tent of Noble William Ryan, of Kosair Temple, November 13, 1904. Noble Ryan was popularly known as "Daddy," and was styled by hundreds as the "gentleman of the Shrine." He was the first Potentate of Kosair Temple and its representative to the Imperial Council for many years. The cherished object of his heart was the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home of Louisville, and he never failed, at the Imperial Council sessions, to secure a number of subscriptions to the "Masonic Home Journal" for its benefit at the annual sessions of the Imperial Council. This journal is printed at the home by those of the orphans who are taught the printing trade.

The report of Imperial Recorder Rowell showed 322 represen-

ALGERIA TEMPLE
HELENA • MONTANA



AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE
LOS ANGELES, CAL.

tatives to the Imperial Council, from 97 temples, the membership of which was 96,796, a net gain for the year of 9,069. Imperial Treasurer Brown reported receipts of $42,839.95 and expenditures of $30,983.14, with a balance to the credit of the Imperial Council of $79,959.92.

Charters were granted at this session to Crescent Temple, Trenton, N. J., which was authorized at the last annual session, to Khartum Temple, Winnipeg, Man.; Bektash Temple, Concord, N. H., and Al Amin Temple, Little Rock, Ark.

A request was presented for the establishment of a temple at Syracuse, N. Y., or the removal of Ziyara Temple to Syracuse from Utica. This was refused, as was also the request for the establishment of a temple at Duluth, Minn.

The new Imperial Divan was chosen as follows:

Henry A. Collins, Imperial Potentate, Toronto, Ont.

Alvah P. Clayton, Deputy Imperial Potentate, St. Joseph, Mo.

Frank C. Roundy, Imperial Chief Rabban, Chicago, Ill.

Edwin I. Alderman, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Marion, Iowa.

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William W. Irwin, Imperial Marshal, Baltimore, Md.

Jacob T. Barron, Captain of the Guard, Columbia, S. C.

Frederick R. Smith, Imperial Outer Guard, Rochester, N. Y.

CHARGES AGAINST NOBLE JOHN W. BOYLE

Charges were preferred against Illustrious Potentate John W. Boyle, of Ziyara Temple, Utica, N. Y., and were fully reviewed in the annual address of the Imperial Potentate. They were referred to a committee, which reported that while the complainants had asked for further time, the majority of the committee deemed it inadvisable to grant it. The complainants also asked leave to specify that they had not intended to charge any personal dishonesty, and asked leave to so amend the charges, which was granted. The committee reported that while the by-laws of Ziyara Temple had not been strictly observed in the matter of creating and making expenditures, yet the action of Potentate Boyle had been approved by his temple, and the committee acquitted Noble Boyle of all charges pertaining to the financial expenditures of the Temple.

The complainants put in evidence the minutes of Ziyara Temple covering the period of the dispute in question. Noble Boyle had replied fully to the charges, which had been preferred while he was absent on a tour in Europe and the Orient. He had been a member of Ziyara Temple for eighteen years, and for ten years or more had been Potentate. The expenditures made were for the benefit of the temple and the temple had approved of them. One item was the pay of four female singers, who were introduced during a part of the ceremonial work. They were properly clad, were escorted in and out of the temple under proper auspices, and while they were in the temple it was illuminated only by a single spot light, which shone upon them only, it being impossible to see anyone else in the room.

As to the charges relating to this vaudeville innovation in the first section of the ceremonial work, the committee found the proof conflicting and uncertain, and acquitted Noble Boyle of the charges, but in so doing expressly stated that it did not intend in any way to sanction any innovations of that character, or any interpolation in the ceremonial work.

As stated, the charges were preferred against Noble Boyle while the Potentate was touring in the Orient. Ziyara Temple, also during his absence, adopted a resolution declaring its belief that the charges were unfounded and made for motives of personal malice. It was therefore resolved by Ziyara Temple that a committee be appointed to defend the charges, and the sum of five hundred dollars was appropriated from the funds of the temple to pay the expenses thereof.

THIRTY SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

Although it had been decided to hold the thirty-second annual session of the Imperial Council at Los Angeles, Cal., during the month of June, 1906, the earthquake and resultant fire in San Francisco, in the early spring of that year, had so disrupted the business conditions on the Pacific Coast that it was determined by the Imperial Potentate Henry A. Collins, to change the place of meeting to Chicago. Accordingly, the Imperial Council assembled in Medinah Temple, in Chicago, June 12.

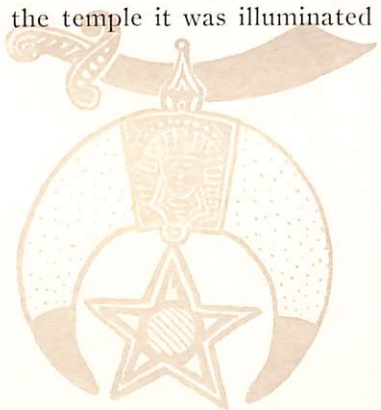
Imperial Potentate Collins said in his annual address:

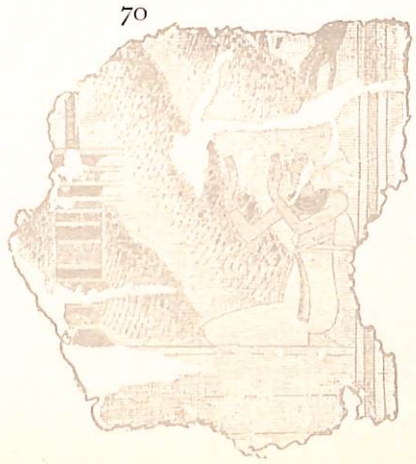
"When the dreadful news was flashed around the civilized world that San Francisco the beautiful had been almost entirely obliterated, and that want, suffering, and misery predominated, the question arose in my mind — what about the meeting of the Imperial Council? I telegraphed to my divan that I was in favor of postponing the meeting at Los Angeles and sending $25,000 of our funds for the relief of the distressed Nobles of Islam Temple. This met with a ready response, I being deluged with telegrams as to the course we should take, and having to make up my mind in a very short time, I thought it best and in the interests of the Nobility at large to postpone the meeting at Lost Angeles. . . . You can imagine my surprise when almost immediately I received a telegram saying that the meeting would go on just the same, irrespective of the awful calamity which had befallen San Francisco."

The Imperial Potentate went on to say that in spite of the wishes of the Nobles of Los Angeles, he felt that the Order would be open to the charge of heartlessness and want of proper consideration for the suffering and distressed, and for these reasons he felt it his duty to call off the meeting at Los Angeles.

"This course," continued the Imperial Potentate, "was not acceptable to the Nobles of Malaikah Temple, and by every means in their power they endeavored to get me to change my views and to go on with the meeting. This I would not do, even if I had to stand alone. I thought the time had come when we should demonstrate to the world that we were an organization of men possessing sympathetic hearts.

"I telegraphed to the Imperial Treasurer to send the sum of $25,000 to Past Imperial Potentate Field, fully realizing the fact in so doing that the man who gives quickly gives twice. Whether I had the authority or not to dispose of your funds it is for you to say. However, I did so, and I take the full responsibility for the same.





Correspondence with Noble Field will demonstrate to you how timely that assistance was, and I am delighted to state that many temples have come forward and have shown that they were in sympathy with the sufferings of the Nobles of Islam Temple. Such, in brief, are the reasons which impelled me to cancel the meeting which was to have been held in Los Angeles."

Dispensations were issued during the year for the establishment of Aad Temple, Duluth, Minn., and El Hasa Temple, Ashland, Ky. A charter for Bektash Temple was authorized by the last Imperial Council, and the charter finally issued bears date of January 25, 1905, at which time the Temple was instituted by the Imperial Potentate.

Official visitations by the Imperial Potentate during his year of office were to Aad Temple, Duluth, Minn.; Aladdin Temple, Columbus, Ohio; Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, Ohio; Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.; Antioch Temple, Dayton, Ohio; Bektash Temple, Concord, N. H.; Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Md.; Damascus Temple, Rochester, N. Y.; El Jebel Temple, Denver, Col.; El Zagal Temple, Fargo, N. Dak.; Irem Temple, Wilkesbarre, Pa.; Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.; Khartum Temple, Winnipeg, Manitoba; Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mecca Temple, New York, N. Y.; Media Temple, Watertown, N. Y.; Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill.; Melha Temple, Springfield, Mass.; Moila Temple, St. Joseph, Mo.; Moslem Temple, Detroit, Mich.; Oriental Temple, Troy, N. Y.; Osman Temple, St. Paul, Minn.; Palestine Temple, Providence, R. I.; Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn.; Rajah Temple, Reading, Pa.; Rameses Temple, Toronto, Canada; Syria Temple, Pittsburg, Pa.; Tebala Temple, Rockford, Ill.; Zembo Temple, Harrisburg, Pa.; Zem Zem Temple, Erie, Pa.; and Ziyara Temple, Utica, N. Y.

A total of 98 temples was reported by Imperial Recorder Rowell, with 351 members of the Imperial Council. The membership, January 1, 1906, was 102,791, the net increase in the membership for the eight months' term being 5,993. The change had been made effective, this year, of keeping the records for the calendar year instead of having the year terminate May 1, as had been the custom for some years past.

The report of the Imperial Treasurer showed his receipts for the eight months to have been $35,230.17. Disbursements by warrants aggregated $28,770.28, and the balance on hand February 1, 1906, was $87,997.62.

Dispensations were granted by the Imperial Council for the establishment of Kalif Temple, Sheridan, Wyo., and Elf Khurafeh Temple, Saginaw, Mich. Charters were granted to El Hasa Temple, Ashland, Ky., and Aad Temple, Duluth, Minn. Petitions for dispensation were denied Roanoke, Va.; Yankton, S. Dak.; Syracuse, N. Y.; Quincy, Ill., and Grafton, W. Va.

The election of officers was held with the following result:

Alvah P. Clayton, Imperial Potentate, St. Joseph, Mo.

Frank C. Roundy, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Chicago, Ill.

Edwin I. Alderman, Imperial Chief Rabban, Marion, Iowa.

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Jacob T. Barron, Imperial Marshal, Columbia, S. C.

Frederick R. Smith, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Rochester, N. Y.

J. Putnam Stevens, Imperial Outer Guard, Portland, Me.

A petition for the formation of a temple to be known as Bedouin Temple, at Allegheny, Pa., was received, but the petition was denied because the opinion of the committee was that the existence of two temples in Greater Pittsburg would establish a bad precedent.

The Committee on Finances reported the payment of $25,000 for the relief of distressed Nobles in San Francisco, and this report was accepted by the Supreme Council.

Noble George Harold Walker, representative of Almas Temple, and Noble Edward Barrett Hay, also a representative of Almas Temple, were both called to enter the Unseen Temple during the year.

KOSAIR TEMPLE
LOUISVILLE, KY.

THIRTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

The Imperial Council assembled at Los Angeles, Cal., for the thirty-third annual session on May 7 and 8, 1907. The sessions of the Imperial Council were held in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, while headquarters were established at Hotel Alexandria. The attendance was large, and the hospitality of the citizens of Los Angeles was unbounded.

Besides the $25,000 appropriated by the Imperial Council for the relief of the suffering in San Francisco, the returns from the several temples showed an additional amount of $17,168.39, while during the year since the earthquake the temples had raised in addition to the above $21,704.26. The total amount of the original San Francisco relief fund was $42,168.39, and Past Imperial Potentate Field reported a balance of $20,803.30.

The Imperial Potentate reported official visits to Naja Temple, Deadwood, S. Dak.; Algeria Temple, Helena, Mont.; El Zagal Temple, Fargo, N. Dak.; Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, Minn.; Osman Temple, St. Paul, Minn.; El Riad Temple, Sioux Falls, Iowa; Za-Ga-Zig Temple, Des Moines, Iowa; Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo.; Abou Ben Adhem Temple, Springfield, Mo.; Isis Temple, Salina, Kan.; Al Chymia Temple, Memphis, Tenn.; Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kan.; India Temple, Oklahoma, Okla.; Sahara Temple, Hot Springs, Ark.; El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Saladin Temple, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Kaaba Temple, Davenport, Iowa; Kosair Temple, Louisville, Ky.; Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio; Aladdin Temple, Columbus, Ohio; Osiris Temple, Wheeling, W. Va.; Syria Temple, Pittsburg, Pa.; Salaam Temple, Newark, N. J.; Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.; Melha Temple, Springfield, Mass.; Oriental Temple, Troy, N. Y.; Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Md.; Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.; and Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill.

TEMPLE INSTITUTED IN MEXICO

It had taken years of persistent effort on the part of the Nobles resident in the Mexican Republic to obtain a temple in the city of Mexico, and during the year 1906 they applied again. An application for a temple to be known as Anezeh Temple was received from Noble Charles R. Pullen and others by the Imperial Potentate, and the dispensation was granted December 1, 1906.

MEDINAH TEMPLE
CHICAGO, ILL.

ABBA TEMPLE
MOBILE, ALA.

EL ZAGAL TEMPLE
FARGO NORTH DAKOTA

To assure himself that he had made no mistake Imperial Potentate Alvah P. Clayton decided to convey the dispensation in person, but before giving it to make an inspection of the oasis of the city of Mexico and to satisfy himself that there existed there sufficient material to justify a successful temple.

He therefore extended invitations to a number of the officers of the Imperial Council to join him in a visit to the city of Mexico, and the departure was made from St. Joseph, Mo., January 15, 1907. At Kansas City the party was joined by Nobles and ladies from Ararat, Isis, Abdallah, and Abou Ben Adhem Temples.

At Little Rock, Ark., a Pullman sleeper with a delegation from Moolah and Al Chymia Temples was attached to the special train, making the number of pilgrims about two hundred and fifteen, eighty of whom were ladies. A few others joined the train en route through Texas.

At San Luis Potosi, Mex., a committee of Shriners who were to form part of the membership of the proposed new Temple, consisting of Charles R. Pullen, who had been selected as first Potentate; J. C. Finnegan, Past Grand Master of Missouri and now a resident of Mexico; W. L. Vail, and others, met the special train and escorted it to the city of Mexico, which was reached on January 19 at 8 P. M.

A large number of Shriners, residents of the city of Mexico, and others who had arrived by other trains for the occasion, gave the Imperial visitors a most cordial welcome and escorted the Imperial Potentate and others of the official party to their hotels in automobiles. In all a delegation of about seven hundred Shriners and ladies had assembled in the city of Mexico.

At 9 o'clock on Sunday morning President Diaz received all the Nobles and their ladies in a special audience at the National Palace, introductions being made by the American Ambassador, Noble David E. Thompson. The remainder of the day was spent in sight-seeing.

The institution of Anezeh Temple took place on Monday afternoon, January 21, at the American Academy. Dispensation being formally given, it was arranged to hold a ceremonial session that evening. Accordingly an official divan was formed from the members of the caravan, which represented about four hundred Nobles, and members from thirty-nine temples were in attendance.

The order was conferred upon a class of novices eighty in number, of whom seventy-seven were from Anezeh Temple, two from Moila Temple, and one from Jerusalem Temple, the Order being conferred upon the latter three by special request of the temples to which they had been elected to membership.

The traditional banquet was held at Luna Park, at which Dr. Charles R. Pullen presided as toastmaster, and among those who responded were Past Imperial Potentate Lou B. Winsor, Imperial High Priest and Prophet Fred A. Hines, Imperial Potentate Alvah P. Clayton, Nobles Fred E. Turner and George W. Millar.

One of the novices who received the Order of Nobility at the hands of the Imperial Potentate was Gen. Don Porfirio Diaz, President of the Mexican Republic, and two others of the noted class were Lic. Ignacio Mariscal, Secretary of Foreign Affairs, and General Alfonso Flores, of the army.

The return of the caravan was made by way of Saltillo and Monterey, stopping after crossing the Rio Grande at San Antonio, Tex., and Hot Springs, Ark. The official journey terminated at St. Louis.

PRESENTATION TO ADMIRAL SCHLEY

An official visit was made by the Imperial Potentate to Irem Temple at Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 20, 1907, this occasion also being in the form of a reception to Noble and Rear Admiral Winfield Scott Schley, United States Navy. The degree of Nobility was conferred upon a class of sixty-nine novices, following which a reception was tendered the Imperial Potentate and Noble Schley. The latter responded to the topic "Forty-five Years Under the Flag." Upon the conclusion of Noble Schley's remarks, the Imperial Potentate, at the request of some of the Nobles of Irem Temple, presented Noble Schley with their compliments, and as a token of their friendship a magnificent Masonic emblem in the nature of a watch fob, wherein was found his Masonic record complete.

Among the recommendations of the Imperial Potentate were, that action should be taken prohibiting the use of Shrine emblems for advertising purposes and prohibiting the use of the name "Mystic Shrine" except for the benefit of the local Nobles. This had reference particularly to the Visiting Shriners' Club, which was formed at Los Angeles for the present session of the Imperial Council, and a programme was issued in which advertisements appeared. The Imperial Potentate did not believe that the name or emblem of the Shrine should be used for such purposes.

Imperial Potentate Clayton also recommended a change in the form of application for receiving the Order.

Imperial Recorder Rowell reported 104 temples and 364 members of the Imperial Council, with a total membership of Nobles, December 31, 1906, of 113,274, an increase during the year of 10,487.

The receipts of the year aggregated $49,394.00. Expenditures by warrants were $60,813.98. The balance on hand, April 1, 1907, was $79,312.24.

Noble Frank H. Adams, 33°, Past Potentate of Almas Temple, Washington, D. C., died at Washington, April 1, 1907, aged fifty-one years. His name was officially recorded by the Imperial Council as having entered the Unseen Temple.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

Frank C. Roundy, Imperial Potentate, Chicago, Ill.

Edwin I. Alderman, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Marion, Iowa.

George L. Street, Imperial Chief Rabban, Richmond, Va.

Fred A. Hines, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Los Angeles, Cal.

J. Frank Treat, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, Fargo, N. Dak.

William J. Cunningham, Imperial Oriental Guide, Baltimore, Md.

William S. Brown, Imperial Treasurer, Pittsburg, Pa.

Benjamin W. Rowell, Imperial Recorder, Boston, Mass.

William W. Irwin, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, Wheeling, W. Va.

Jacob T. Barron, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Columbia, S. C.

Frederick R. Smith, Imperial Marshal, Rochester, N. Y.

J. Putnam Stevens, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Portland, Maine.

Henry F. Niedringhaus, Jr., Imperial Outer Guard, St. Louis, Mo.

Dispensations were granted by the Imperial Council for the establishment of El Maida Temple, El Paso, Tex.; Calam Temple, Lewiston, Idaho, and Abu Bekr Temple, Sioux City, Iowa.

Dispensations were refused for the establishment of temples at Calgary, Alberta, Can.; Roanoke, Va.; London, Ontario; Pittsburg, Kan.; Quincy, Ill., and Cœur d'Alene, Idaho.

Charters were granted to Kerak Temple, Reno, Nev.; Elf Khurafeh Temple, Saginaw, Mich.; Omar Temple, Charleston, S. C., and Anezeh Temple, in the city of Mexico.

The Greetings of the Imperial Council were sent to President Diaz through the Secretary of Foreign Affairs of the Mexican Republic.

Four members of the Imperial Council were killed in a railroad wreck at Honda, Cal., May 11, 1907, just after the thirty-third session of the Imperial Council. They were:

Noble Louis Ellanbogen, representative to the Imperial Council; Noble Charles L. Henry, representative to the Imperial Council; Noble J. Douglas Hippler, representative to the Imperial Council, and Potentate of Rajah Temple; and Noble John W. Cutler, representative to the Imperial Council. The wreck was due to the derailment of a special train.

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

St. Paul, Minn., July 14, 1908, was the time and place for the assembling of the thirty-fourth annual session of the Imperial Council, which was held in the Auditorium. Headquarters were established at Hotel Ryan. The attendance was large, with Arab patrols from many of the temples present.

There were elaborate ceremonies at the opening of the session, including music by the Minnesota State band and the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" by the entire audience.

Illustrious Potentate E. B. Swigert, of Osman Temple, delivered the opening address, which was responded to by Imperial Potentate Frank C. Roundy. Governor John A. Johnston delivered the address on behalf of the State of Minnesota. Daniel W. Lawlor, Mayor of the City of St. Paul, delivered an address of welcome on behalf of the city.

St. Paul was dressed in gala attire in honor of the visit of the Imperial Council, and Osman Temple proved to be a most generous host.

Imperial Potentate Roundy reported visits of an official nature to Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill.; Palestine Temple, Providence, R. I.; Sphinx Temple, Hartford, Conn.; Melha Temple, Springfield, Mass.; Aleppo Temple, Boston, Mass.; Abu Bekr Temple, Sioux City, Iowa; Moslem Temple, Detroit, Mich.; Tripoli Temple, Milwaukee, Wis.; Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo.; Abou Ben Adhem Temple, Springfield, Mo.; Kosair Temple, Louisville, Ky.; Moolah Temple, Indianapolis, Ind.; Osman Temple, St. Paul, Minn.; Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, Minn.; El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Kaaba Temple, Davenport, Iowa; Antioch Temple, Dayton, Ohio; Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, Ohio; Zenobia Temple, Toledo, Ohio; Zembo Temple, Harrisburg, Pa.; Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.; Irem Temple, Wilkesbarre, Pa.; Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.; Salaam Temple, Newark, N. J.; Saladin Temple, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio; Al Chymia Temple, Memphis, Tenn.; Zamora Temple, Birmingham, Ala.; Abba Temple, Mobile, Ala.; Jerusalem Temple, New Orleans, La.; Hamasa Temple, Meridian, Miss.; Yaarab Temple, Atlanta, Ga.; Omar Temple, Charleston, S. C.; Morocco Temple, Jacksonville, Fla.; Alhambra Temple, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Syria Temple, Pittsburg, Pa.; Mohammed Temple, Peoria, Ill., and Tebala Temple, Rockford, Ill.

Forty-three decisions were rendered by Imperial Potentate Roundy during his term of office. He recommended the adoption of an amendment to the By-laws making the minimum fee $50; also an amendment allowing at least the traveling expenses of the Imperial Potentate or his representatives. He also recommended that the visiting card should be of uniform style and color.

The question of hotel rates had lately become very serious, owing to the tendency to increase the prices, and consequently Imperial Potentate Roundy earnestly recommended that a committee be appointed to look after proper accommodations for the Imperial Council at the proper rates, etc. This was done.

Since the last annual session dispensations had been granted for the establishment of Al Azhar Temple, at Calgary, Alberta; Mocha Temple, London, Ontario; and Oleika Temple, Lexington, Ky.

The report of the Imperial Recorder showed 110 temples and 385 representatives to the Imperial Council, with 127,332 members of the Order. Warrants drawn by Imperial Treasurer Brown amounted to $68,569.25. Receipts were $60,601.50. The balance on hand was $73,823.16. Charities at Christmas time by the several temples amounted to $34,534.10.

The question was brought up of making the Arab Patrol flag of Saladin Temple at Grand Rapids Mich., the official flag or banner of the Shrine. This was put to a vote of the Imperial Council and defeated.

The Imperial Potentate referred to the differences existing between the several temples in the State of Iowa, and the matter was brought before the Imperial Council, through the report of a committee, that the differences had been wiped out, and the offending temple had agreed to pay over to the temples a portion of whose territory had been sought, the sum of $2000, and an amicable division of the State among the three temples was at last arranged.

Charters were granted the following temples: Oleika Temple, Lexington, Ky.; Abu Bekr Temple, Sioux City, Iowa; Kora Temple, Lewiston, Maine; Mocha Temple, London, Ontario; and Al Azhar Temple, Calgary, Alberta.

Dispensations were granted for the establishment of Nile Temple, Seattle, Wash.; and temples at Ashland, Ore., and Madisonville, Ky.

The Imperial Council refused dispensations for the establishment of temples at Norfolk, Va.; Quincy, Ill.; Decatur, Ill.; Dawson, Yukon Territory; Macon, Ga.; Wichita, Kan.; Pittsburg, Kan.; Shreveport, La.; Nashville, Tenn., and Terra Haute, Ind.

An amendment to the By-laws was adopted, increasing the minimum fee from $25 to $50, as recommended by the Imperial Potentate.

An invitation was received from Kosair Temple, of Louisville, Ky., to hold the next annual session at Falls City, and this invitation was accepted.

The following officers were elected, to serve during the ensuing term:

EDWIN I. ALDERMAN, Imperial Potentate, Marion, Iowa.

GEORGE L. STREET, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Richmond, Va.

FRED A. HINES, Imperial Chief Rabban, Los Angeles, Cal.

J. FRANK TREAT, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Fargo, N. Dak.

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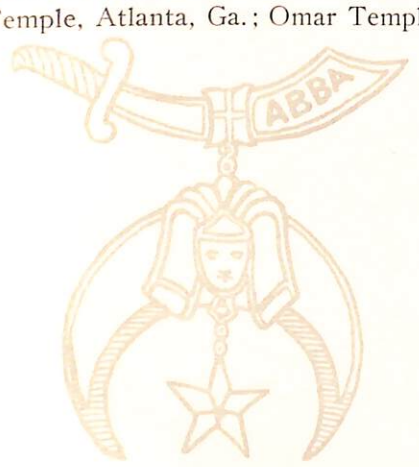

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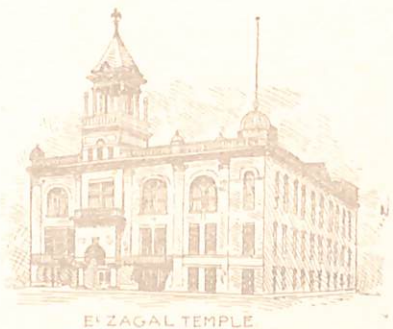
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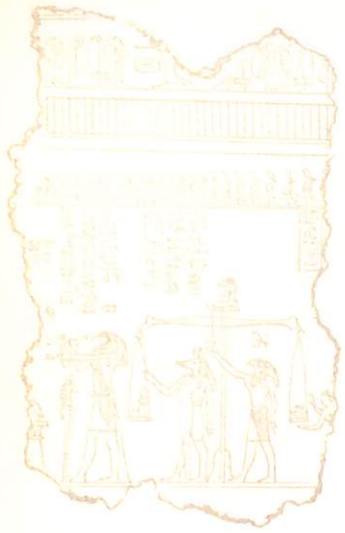
FARGO NORTH DAKOTA



WILLIAM J. CUNNINGHAM, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, Baltimore, Md.

WILLIAM W. IRWIN, Imperial Oriental Guide, Wheeling W. Va.

WILLIAM S. BROWN, Imperial Treasurer, Pittsburg, Pa.

BENJAMIN W. ROWELL, Imperial Recorder, Boston, Mass.

JACOB T. BARRON, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, Columbia, S. C.

FREDERICK R. SMITH, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Rochester, N. Y.

J. PUTNAM STEVENS, Imperial Marshal, Portland, Maine.

HENRY F. NIEDRINGHAUS, JR., Imperial Captain of the Guard, St. Louis, Mo.

CHARLES E. OVENSHIRE, Imperial Outer Guard, Minneapolis, Minn.

THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

The thirty-fifth session of the Imperial Council was held at Louisville, Ky., beginning June 8, 1909, under the most auspicious circumstances. The city was elaborately decorated, much money having been spent in this manner. The attendance was very large indeed. About fifteen thousand Nobles were in line during the parade. The programme was arranged to cover the greater part of the week. The sessions of the Imperial Council were held in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, and the public sessions in the First Regiment Armory. Potentate George D. Young, of Kosair Temple, called the assembly to order and introduced Gov. A. E. Willson. Governor Willson delivered an address of welcome on behalf of the State of Kentucky. He was followed by the Hon. James F. Grinstead, Mayor of the city of Louisville. Postmaster and Noble Robert E. Woods delivered an address on behalf of Kosair Temple.

Imperial Potentate Edwin I. Alderman reported a net gain in the membership of the Order during the year of 10,619, also a balance on hand of cash in banks to the credit of the Imperial Council, May 1, 1909, of $87,644.15.

The official visitations of Imperial Potentate Alderman included Abu Bekr Temple, Sioux City, Iowa; Za-Ga-Zig Temple, Des Moines, Iowa; El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Murat Temple, Indianapolis, Ind.; Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.; Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Md.; Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.; Syria Temple, Pittsburg, Pa.; Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn.; Melha Temple, Springfield, Mass.; Kalurah Temple, Binghamton, N. Y.; Damascus Temple, Rochester, N. Y.; Aad Temple, Duluth, Minn.; Ahmed Temple, St. Paul, Minn.; Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, Minn.; Sesostris Temple, Lincoln, Neb.; Moila Temple, St. Joseph, Mo.; El Jebel Temple, Denver, Col.; El Kalah Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah; Al Kader Temple, Portland, Ore.; Niles Temple, Seattle, Wash.; Hillah Temple, Ashland, Ore.; Islam Temple, San Francisco, Cal.; Alhambra Temple, Los Angeles, Cal.; El Maida Temple, El Paso, Texas; Jerusalem Temple, New Orleans, La., and Abba Temple, Mobile, Ala.

Imperial Recorder Rowell reported 115 temples, with a total of 137,046 members. The receipts from temples during the year aggregated $55,734.48. The amount paid out by Imperial Treasurer Brown on warrants was $44,442.81.

The Imperial Council appropriated $500 for the purchase of a suitable jewel for Imperial Recorder Rowell in token of his long and faithful service.

Noble John M. Powell, of Sahara Temple, was elected an Emeritus member on motion of Past Imperial Potentate George H. Green.

The Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws reported on the jurisdiction of Karnak Temple, Montreal, Quebec, giving it concurrent jurisdiction with Rameses Temple in the eastern half of the province of Ontario because of the nearness of that part of the province to Montreal. This addition to the jurisdiction of Karnak Temple was made by petition, and at the request of many eligible persons in eastern Ontario who preferred to affiliate with Karnak Temple, as they could meet with it more readily. The Imperial Council approved the report of the committee.

Charters were granted to the following temples: Nile Temple, Seattle, Wash.; Hillah Temple, Ashland, Ore.; Rizpah Temple, Madisonville, Ky., and El Maida Temple, El Paso, Texas.

Dispensations were granted for the establishment of Zorah Temple, Terre Haute, Ind.; Mirza Temple, Pittsburg, Kan.; Kem Temple, Grand Forks, N. Dak., and Midian Temple, Wichita, Kan. Dispensations were continued in the cases of Orak Temple, Hammond, Ind.; Mizpah Temple, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Hadi Temple, Evansville, Ind., and Khedive Temple, Norfolk, Va.

The Imperial Council acted adversely in the matter of a petition for the establishment of Al Siah Temple, Macon, Ga., and also was unfavorable to petitions for temples at Oak Park, Ill.; Newburg, N. Y., and Nashville, Tenn.

New Orleans was selected as the place for holding the thirty-sixth annual session, and the date was fixed for April 12, 1910. The newly elected official divan for 1909-10 was installed as follows:

GEORGE L. STREET, Imperial Potentate, Richmond, Va.

FRED A. HINES, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Los Angeles, Cal.

J. FRANK TREAT, Imperial Chief Rabban, Fargo, N. Dak.

WILLIAM J. CUNNINGHAM, Imperial Assistant Rabban, Baltimore, Md.

WILLIAM W. IRWIN, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, Wheeling, W. Va.

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J. PUTNAM STEVENS, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, Portland, Maine.

HENRY F. NIEDRINGHAUS, JR., Imperial Marshal, St. Louis, Mo.

CHARLES E. OVENSHIRE, Imperial Captain of the Guard, Minneapolis, Minn.

ELLIS J. JACOBY, Imperial Outer Guard, Indianapolis, Ind.

Zem Zem Temple, of Erie, Pa., was severely disciplined during the year 1909 for invasion of territory. The Imperial Council ordered the charter of the Temple suspended from June 15 to December 1, and also directed Zem Zem Temple to pay Syria Temple, of Pittsburg, the sum of $1650. It was also ordered by the Imperial Council that Noble R. T. Brown, of Elwood City, Pa.; Noble H. S. Blatt, of Elwood City, Pa.; Noble Andrew G. Murphy, of Newcastle, Pa.; Noble J. L. Dennison of Jamestown, Mercer County, Pa.; Noble Albert L. Thayer, of Newcastle, Pa., and Noble E. L. Smith, of Newcastle, Pa., all members of Zem Zem Temple, to be suspended from all rights and privileges of the Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for the term of one year, beginning June 10, 1909; and it was further ordered that the fore-

going action of the Imperial Council be published in the notices to members of all subordinate temples, and the Potentates of temples were notified to see that the order was complied with.

Zem Zem Temple keenly felt the disgrace inflicted by the Imperial Council, and has fully purged itself, its charter having now been restored. However, the Nobles mentioned are still suspended from the Order. Zem Zem's offense lay in receiving as Nobles men who resided within the jurisdiction of Syria Temple. All the fees paid by the ineligible members were handed over to Syria Temple, in which jurisdiction the candidates resided.

Imperial Recorder Rowell will report at the thirty-sixth annual session of the Imperial Council, to be held at New Orleans April 12 and 13, 1910, that the membership of the Order is 149,151. There are 121 temples, eight of them being under dispensation, and charters will be asked at the New Orleans session. The temples under dispensation are Hadi Temple, Evansville, Ind.; Kem Temple, Grand Forks, N. Dak.; Khedive Temple, Norfolk, Va.; Midian Temple, Wichita, Kan.; Mirza Temple, Pittsburg, Kan.; Mizpah Temple, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Orak Temple, Hammond, Ind., and Zorah Temple, Terre Haute, Ind.

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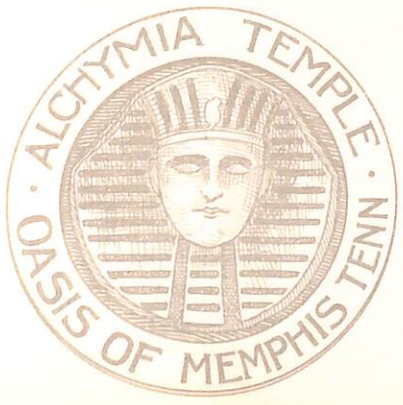
TEMPORARY HEADQUARTERS
BUFFALO, N.Y.

OASIS TEMPLE
CHARLOTTE, N.C.



MURAT TEMPLE
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

A Memory

"Farewell, be it ours to embellish thy pillow
With everything beauteous that grows in the deep;
Each flower of the rock and each gem of the billow
Shall sweeten thy bed and illumine thy sleep.

"Around thee shall glisten the loveliest amber
That ever the sorrowing seabird has wept;
With many a shell in whose hollow-wreathed chamber
The Peris of Ocean by moonlight have slept.

"We'll dive where the gardens of coral lie darkling,
And plant all the rosiest stems at thy head;
We'll seek where the sands of the Caspian are sparkling,
And gather their treasures to strew o'er thy bed.

"Farewell — farewell — until pity's sweet fountain
Is lost in the hearts of the good and the brave;
They'll sigh for MAHOMET who came to the MOUNTAIN,
And treasure the memories his presence there gave."

INDIA TEMPLE
OKLAHOMA, CITY

MURAT TEMPLE
INDIANAPOLIS

EDWIN I. ALDERMAN

Imperial Potentate for the years of 1908-09. He filled practically every office from Director to Illustrious Potentate of El Kahir Temple of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He has been a representative to the Imperial Council for El Kahir Temple for sixteen consecutive years.

BENJAMIN W. ROWELL

Of Lynn, Mass., an honorary member of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., is a Mason of Masons, and his record is a most notable one. He was admitted to Aleppo Temple of Boston, May 15, 1883. Besides this connection he acquired membership in St. Paul Lodge, of South Boston, Mass., Sutton R. A. Chapter of Lynn, Boston Council, R. & S. M., of Boston, Olivet Commandery, K. T., of Lynn, and Lafayette Lodge of Perfection, Giles F. Yates Council, P. of J., Mt. Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix and Massachusetts Consistory, 32° of Boston. In addition to this he is Past Presiding Officer and Secretary of Massachusetts College of Rosicruciana; Secretary of the General Grand Chapter of Rosicruciana of the United States; member of the Royal Order of Scotland; Past Presiding Officer and Secretary of the Grand Chapter of the Knights of Rome and Constantine for Massachusetts and Rhode Island; member of the Supreme Grand Chapter of the Grand Cross of Constantine in the United States and also treasurer of the same; member of Massachusetts and Rhode Island Association of Knights Templar Commanders; Past Commander of Olivet Commandery, K. T.; Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island from 1890 to the present time; member of the Imperial Council, A. A. O. N. M. S., representative of the same for life, by reason of having been twenty-one years a representative, and Imperial Recorder since 1894; has served twenty-three years as representative to the Imperial Council from Aleppo Temple; Recorder of Aleppo Temple, 1884 to date, and Secretary of the Massachusetts Council of Deliberation. He was crowned by the Supreme Council with the 33°, A. A. S. R., N. M. J., 1889. Noble Rowell was born in Chichester, N. H., August 18, 1846, and was educated in the public schools of Lynn, Mass. He was married in Lynn, Mass., December 5, 1871, to Susan Augusta Newhall. Both are members of the Methodist Episcopal church and live at 8 Linwood Road, Lynn. He is a member of the Point Shirley Club of Winthrop, Mass. From 1867 to 1888 he conducted a furniture and carpet business, but for some years he has been comptroller of the Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company.

J. F. TREAT

Now resides in Fargo, N. Dak., where he is in the insurance business, which he has followed since 1889, was born in Geauga County, Ohio, September 11, 1861, the son of John F. Treat, born in 1830, and Ruth A. Brewer Treat, born in 1837. Noble Treat received his education in the Grand River Institute in Ohio. He is a member of Shiloh Lodge, Keystone R. A. Chapter, Auvergne Commandery, K. T., Enoch Lodge of Perfection, Pelican Chapter of Rose Croix, Fargo Council Knights Kadosh, Dakota Consistory and El Zagal Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., all in Fargo, N. Dak. He has held the rank of Potentate eleven years, and at the present time is Imperial Chief Rabban. In addition he is a member of the Elks, Knights of Pythias, and of the Fargo Commercial Club. He is a Republican and was a member of the State Legislature for two terms, 1905 and 1907. Fishing and hunting are his favorite forms of recreation.

FREDERICK R. SMITH

A physician and surgeon of Rochester, N. Y., was born in Penn Yan, N. Y., in 1870, the son of Thomas W. and Emily J. Smith. Both parents were of English birth. He was educated in the Penn Yan Academy and Dandee Preparatory school, graduating from it in 1889 and from the Hahnemann Medical College in 1893. He was an interne in the Homœopathic Hospital in Rochester in 1893 and 1894, and entered upon the practice of medicine and surgery in 1894. Dr. Smith is a devotee of the game of golf, being a member of the Genessee Valley Golf Club and the Oak Hill Country Club. He is a Republican and has held office under the Republican administration. Noble Smith belongs to Yonnondio Lodge, Hamilton R. A. Chapter, Doric Council and Monroe Commandery K. T., Rochester Consistory 32° and Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. In these various bodies he is past master of the blue lodge, past high priest of the chapter, past commander of the commandery, past district deputy for the 33° Masonic district and Past Potentate of Damascus Temple. He is First Lieutenant Commander of Rochester Consistory; a member of the Elks, Knights of Pythias and Foresters of America; President of the Masonic Club and First Ceremonial Master of the Imperial Council, A. A. O. N. M. S., for North America. His home is at 89 Plymouth Avenue, Rochester, N. Y.

J. PUTNAM STEVENS

In the Life Insurance business at 40 Exchange street, Portland, Maine; general agent for the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. and has been engaged in that line since 1887. His home is at Woodfords, Maine. He is a Republican and a member of the Universalist church. He was born at Winthrop, Kennebec County, Maine, November 24, 1852. His father, Joseph W. Stevens, was born August 15, 1824 and his mother, Mary C. Ingalls, was born April 4, 1823. She alone survives. Noble Stevens graduated from the Maine Wesleyan Seminary. He is affiliated with many fraternities and ranks high in all of them. He belongs to Asylum Lodge, F. & A. M. of Wayne, Me., Greenleaf R. A. Chapter of Portland, Me., Portland Council P. of J. and Dunlap Chapter of Rose Croix, Portland, Me., and Maine Consistory, also St. Alban Commandery K. T., Yates Lodge of Perfection, and Portland Council R. & S. M. He is Past Potentate of Kora Temple, Lewiston, Me. In 1906 elected Imperial Outside Guard; in 1907, Imperial Inside Guard; in 1908 Imperial Marshal, and 1909 Imperial Second Ceremonial Master. In addition he is a Knight of the Red Cross of Constantine of Portland, Me., a member of the Royal Order of Scotland of Washington, D. C., Past Grand Patron O. E. S. for Maine, Past Patron Iona Chapter O. E. S. of Portland, Me., Past Exalted Ruler Portland Lodge of Elks No. 188, member Portland Colony of Pilgrim Fathers, member of Fern Park, Deering and Portland Clubs of Portland, Me., member of Portland Board of Trade as well as a member of the Quarter Century Traveling Men's Association and the New England Fat Men's Club, Past President and at the present time Treasurer of the Maine Underwriters' Association. He represented Portland in the Maine Legislature for the years of 1905-06. He is also a Trustee of the Maine Institute for the Blind as well as one of the School Committee and Supervisors of the Schools of Portland, Me. He is fond of hunting and fishing and has a love for good horses.

Frederick R. Smith M.D.

J. Putnam Stevens

E. J. Alderman

E. B. M. Cowell

J. F. Treat

WILLIAM WILSON IRWIN

Imperial Oriental Guide in 1907-1908; Past Potentate of Osiris Temple of Wheeling, W. Va. He was born in Danville, Ky., the son of Robert and Rachel Wilson Irwin. He graduated from Centre College of Danville, now Central University, in 1881. He is a retail druggist, which business he began in 1882. He was sheriff of Ohio County, W. Va., January 1, 1901-05; was in the city council of Wheeling six years, concluding his terms in January, 1897. From 1893-97, he was a member of the Board of Commissioners of Ohio County, W. Va. He is a member of Nelson Lodge, A. F. & A. M., Wheeling Union Chapter, R. A. M., Wheeling Council, R. & S. M., Wheeling Commandery, K. T., McDaniel Lodge of Perfection, Albert Pike Council, P. of J., Charity Chapter of Rose Croix, and West Virginia Consistory. He is affiliated with the Elks, Knights of Pythias and Sigma Chi (college fraternity); holds membership in the Wheeling Country Club, and is president of the West Virginia State Pharmaceutical and Wheeling Retail Druggists' Associations. Noble Irwin is a Democrat.

HENRY F. NIEDRINGHAUS, JR.

Present Imperial Marshal of the Imperial Council, is a Noble of Moolah Temple in the oasis of St. Louis, and his membership in the Nobility dates from May 28, 1895. His residence is at 5651 Bartmer Avenue, St. Louis, Mo. Noble Niedringhaus is a native of St. Louis, where he was born December 15, 1864, the son of Frederick W. Niedringhaus and Anna W. Kleinsmith, natives of Germany. He is a graduate of Washington University. He married in St. Louis, September 25, 1889, Cora M. Boucher, a native of St. Louis and the daughter of Leon Boucher and Marie Bonfils. They have three children, Cora Gretchen, Frederick Emmons, and Marie Ester. The present Imperial Marshal was made a Mason in Occidental Lodge, in St. Louis, and was exalted in St. Louis Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. He was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in St. Aldemar Commandery in St. Louis. He received the Scottish Rite degrees in St. Louis also, and is a Sovereign Prince of the Royal Secret in Missouri Consistory. Noble Niedringhaus is also a member of the Royal Arcanum and the Legion of Honor. He is a member of the Missouri Athletic Club, the Liederkranz Club of St. Louis and the Oasis Club. His favorite diversion is found in baseball and in fishing. For eleven years Noble Niedringhaus has been connected with the National Enameling and Stamping Company.

JACOB THOMAS BARRON

One of the charter members of Oasis Temple of the Shrine, located at Charlotte, N. C., was for two years Potentate of that Temple when there was none in South Carolina. He is now of Omar Temple in Charleston, S. C., and an honorary member of Alee Temple of Savannah, Ga. He was elected Imperial Outer Guard at Niagara Falls, and has regularly advanced to Oriental guide in the Imperial Council. He is grand secretary not only of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina, but of the Grand Lodge of that State. In the Scottish Rite he is K. C. C. H., and special deputy of the inspector general. He is enrolled in Richland Lodge, Columbia Chapter, R. A. M., Union Council, R. & S. M., Columbia Commandery K. T., Aleph Lodge of Perfection, Buist Chapter of Rose Croix, Bethlehem Council Knights Kadosh and Benzalen Consistory, 32° (K. C. C. A.) Georgia. He was born in Edgecombe County, N. C., graduated from Virgina Military Institute in 1875 and resides in Columbia, S. C. He is a Democrat.

CHARLES E. OVENSHIRE

Treasurer and general manager of the Minneapolis Knitting Works at Minneapolis, Minn., his home city. He was born in Athens, Pa., August 25, 1856. At the age of eighteen he removed to Detroit, Mich., where he married Hattie R. Willmarth. They moved to St. Paul, Minn., in 1883; then went to Minneapolis in 1891, where they have since lived. He organized the St. Paul Knitting Works in partnership with his brother-in-law, Perry Starkweather, in 1883. This was later incorporated under its present name, and Noble Ovenshire was made treasurer and general manager. He became a master Mason, December 7, 1891, in Newport, Minn. Lodge, from which he dimitted and joined Minneapolis Lodge, July 6, 1892. He was senior deacon in 1896, was elected senior warden in 1897 and worshipful master in 1898, and exalted to the degree of Royal Arch Mason in St. John Chapter, October 11, 1892. He was elected high priest in December, 1898 and secretary December 19, 1899, filling the latter office up to March 22, 1904. He received the Cryptic degrees in Minneapolis Council April 12, 1895. He was knighted in Zion Commandery, K. T., December 28, 1892, and was elected in succession standard bearer, senior warden, captain general, generalissimo, commander, recorder, filling the latter office from May 8, 1900, to March 26, 1907. He is also a past patron of Palestine Chapter, O. E. S. He received the Scottish Rite degrees as follows: Lodge of Perfection, May 31, 1898; Chapter of Rose Croix, June 1, 1898; Princes of Jerusalem, June 2, 1898, and Consistory, March 27, 1902. He was two years master of ceremonies in the Lodge of Perfection and four years as chancellor in the Consistory and is now serving as preceptor. In the Grand Commandery K. T. of Minnesota he was elected grand junior warden in 1903, grand senior warden in 1904, grand captain general in 1905, grand generalissimo in 1906, deputy grand commander in 1907 and grand commander in 1908. In March, 1893, he was created a noble in Zuhrah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and has filled the various offices along the line, serving as Potentate in 1907. In the Imperial Council he was elected Imperial Outer Guard in July, 1908, and Imperial Captain of the Guard in 1909. He is now serving his eighth year as a director of the Masonic Temple Association. He is in the Royal Arcanum, and a past regent, as well as life member of the grand council. He likewise is affiliated with the Ancient Order of United Workmen and is a past grand in the Odd Fellows.

FRANK C. ROUNDY

President of the Roundy Regalia Company of Chicago, is well known throughout the country because of his Templar drill work. He was born at Lake Geneva, Wis., in 1858, the son of Daniel Curtis and Jane Young Roundy. He attended the public schools, graduated in 1876, and then entered mercantile life. He is Past Potentate of Medina Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and at present Commander-in-Chief of Oriental Consistory, both of Chicago. He has attained the 33°. He also belongs to Hesperia Lodge No. 411, York R. A. Chapter No. 148, Chicago Council No. 4, R. & S. M., St. Bernard Commandery No. 35, K. T., in which he is Past Commander, Van Renesselaer Lodge of Perfection, Chicago Council, P. of J., and Gourgas Chapter of Rose Croix, all of Chicago. He is, too, a member of the Loyal Legion and of the Patriot Ancient and Honorables. He is a Republican and attends the Unitarian church. In 1882 he became captain of Company H, 2d Regiment of Infantry, and for nine years he was commandant of St. Bernard Commandery drill corps. His home is at 904 Walnut Street, Chicago.

J. T. Barron

Wm. W. Irwin

Frank C. Roundy

Henry F. Niedringhaus Jr

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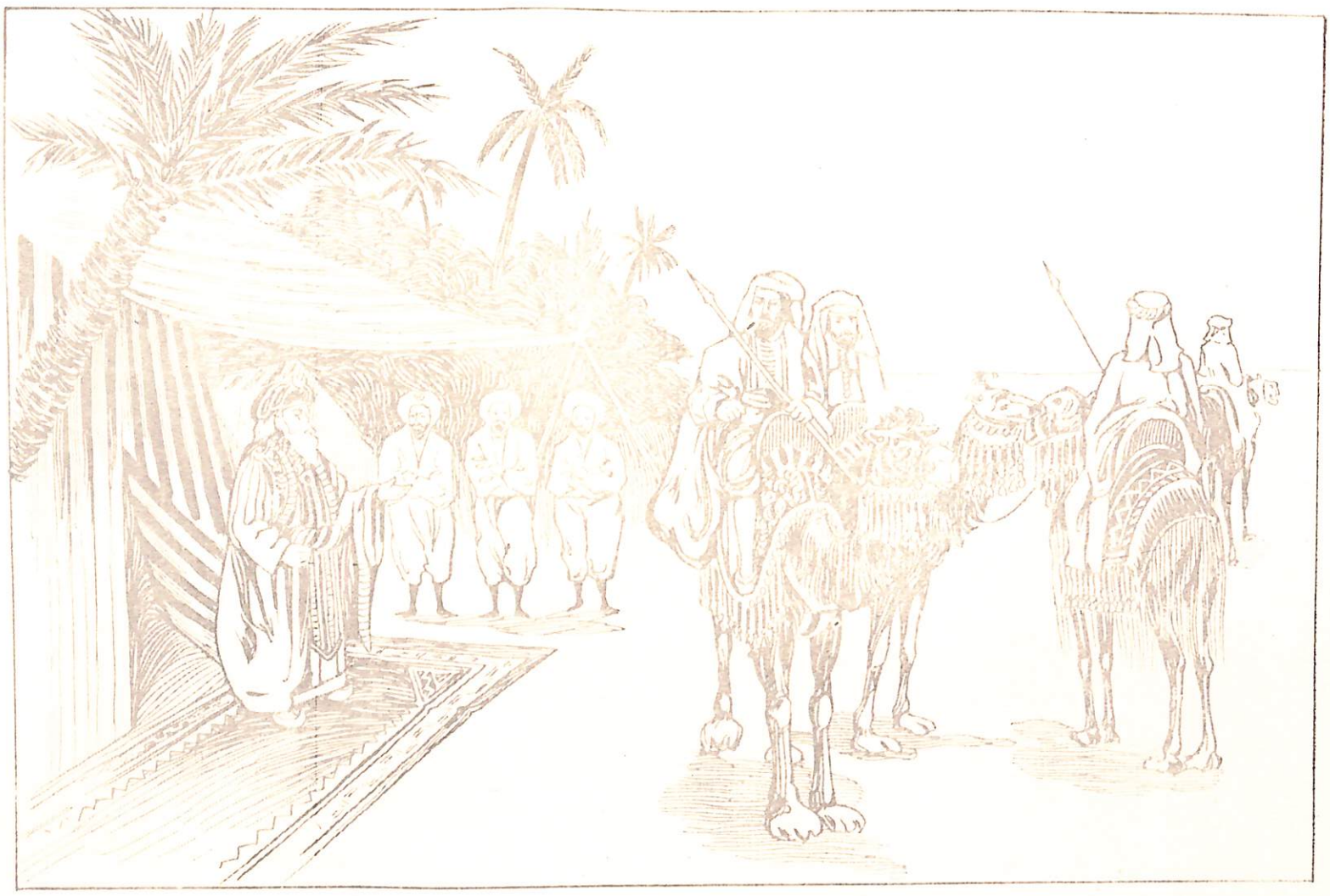


FRED A. HINES.

Imperial Potentate of North America, elected to that high office April 15, 1910. He is quite prominent in the Masonic circles of California and is connected with all the Masonic bodies in the city of Los Angeles. He is an Eastern man, was born in Elmira, N. Y., August 8, 1864, the son of William Albert and Cynthia Watkins Hines. His mother alone survives. His parents went West when he was very young, and his education was secured in the public schools and Academy of Manchester, Iowa, graduating from there in 1880. He later went to California and has since made his home in Los Angeles where he conducts a successful fruit growing business. He holds membership in Al Malaikah Temple of Los Angeles, and also belongs to Southern California Lodge; Signet R. A. Chapter; the Council R. & S. M., K. T. Commandery; Lodge of Perfection; Council of P. of J.; the Chapter of Rose Croix at Los Angeles, and California Consistory. He is likewise a well known clubman, holding membership in the following clubs: California, Jonathan, L. A. County and Lovista Gun Clubs. His home is at 1834 West 11th Street, Los Angeles.

Fred A. Hines

All Roads that Lead to God Are Good

All roads that lead to God are good:
  What matters it, your faith or mine?
  Both center at the goal divine
Of love's eternal brotherhood.

The kindly life in house or street:
  The life of prayer and mystic rite:
  The student's search for truth and light:
These paths at one great junction meet.

Before the oldest book was writ,
  Full many a prehistoric soul,
  Arrived at this unchanging goal,
Through changeless love that led to it.

What matters that one found his Christ
  In rising sun or burning fire?
  If faith within him did not tire,
His longing for the truth sufficed.

Before our modern hell was brought
  To edify a modern world,
  Full many a hate-filled soul was hurled
In lakes of fire by its own thought.

A thousand creeds have come and gone:
  But what is that to you or me?
  Creeds are but branches of a tree—
The root of love lives on and on.

Though branch by branch proves withered wood,
  The root is warm with precious wine:
  Then keep your faith and leave me mine:
All roads that lead to God are good.

— *Ella Wheeler Wilcox*

Founders of the Order

WILLIAM JERMYN FLORENCE, founder of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, was a widely known actor and comedian who died at the very zenith of his fame. His real name was Conlin, but upon entering a professional life he adopted the stage name of Florence, which he later accepted as his own.

He was born in Albany, N. Y., July 26, 1831, and died of pneumonia in Philadelphia, November 19, 1891, after a week's illness. The body was brought to New York and now rests in Greenwood Cemetery, where it is easily found by reason of the Shrine monument which marks it.

A man of small stature but surprising activity, with a keen and fertile mind, was "Billy" Florence. He was only five feet six inches in height, but strongly built, without the slightest clumsiness. He had a wealth of wavy brown hair that needed only length to blossom into curls; a broad, well-developed forehead; a pair of clear, twinkling, honest blue eyes that were always beaming kindly; a clean-shaven face, with fun dancing in every dimple; an expressive mouth; a voice at once gentle and full of admirable intonations; a manner that inspired confidence and insured personal popularity. No man was better fitted for the part he made famous. His private life was sweet and pure. His friends were legion. He spoke a little French, German, and Italian. He belonged to the Manhattan Club in New York, and to the Beefsteak, Garrick, Green Room, Field, and Savage Clubs in London.

He was a member of the various York and Scottish Rite bodies, and as active in all of them as the demands of his professional engagements would permit. He never missed an opportunity of participating in a Masonic function, and in his travels throughout the United States and in foreign countries he met and mingled with many Masons.

He was dubbed and created a Knight Templar and a Knight of Malta in Pittsburg Commandery No. 1, June 13, 1854. He received the various degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in New York City, being created Sovereign Prince of the Royal Secret (thirty-second degree) April 21, 1867, by Charles T. McClenachan, 33°, in Aurora Grata Consistory.

Elsewhere we have told, in his own words, how Noble Florence received the Order of the Mystic Shrine, and how he brought it to this country. Since his professional duties called him to all the leading cities of the country, and as his acquaintance with eligible Masons was extensive, he was created a "special deputy," and communicated the Order in its earlier days to responsible Masons in the cities he visited, thus laying the foundation stones of many of the temples which now exist.

The death of Noble Florence created a profound shock among the members of the Order, and the following proclamation was issued by Imperial Potentate Sam Briggs:

THE NOBILITY OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE
PROCLAMATION!
IMPERIAL COUNCIL, ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER
NOBLES OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE,
United States of America.

To all Illustrious Potentates, Rabbans, and Noble Shareefs throughout the jurisdiction of the Western Hemisphere

AFFLICTION! DISTRESS! SORROW!

Illustrious Noble William J. Florence (thirty-second degree), Grand Shareef of Mecca Temple and representative of the temples in the East under the Domain of the Crescent, is Dead!

Our esteemed Noble died in the city of Philadelphia, Pa., in Laylet Jumauh, the seventeenth day of the Arabic month of Rabah ul Akhir, A. H. 1309, corresponding to the nineteenth day of November, A. D. 1891.

Glory to Him who hath transported His servant to the Unseen Temple!

You are hereby commanded, Imperial and Subordinate, for the full term of three crescent moons after this mandate, within the mystic sanctuaries of the Shrine, to drape your altars and tombs with the insignia of mourning, and let the symbolic funeral urn be placed on the sacred Black Stone, there to exhale incense during all ceremonies, and each and all of you to wear the customary emblems of mourning for the required term; also to inscribe upon your Temple records notice of the same.

Executive action *in memoriam* will be taken under the auspices of the Imperial body at its next annual session, as prescribed for its illustrious dead.

In obedience to supreme decree,

SAM BRIGGS, 33°,
Imperial Potentate, Cleveland, Ohio.
FRANK M. LUCE, 33°,
Imperial Recorder, Chicago, Ill.
WALTER M. FLEMING, M. D., 33°,
Past Imperial Potentate and Representative *ad vitam*,
Imperial Council, U. S. A., New York.

ANNOUNCEMENT IN MECCA TEMPLE

At the next session of Mecca Temple after the demise of Noble Florence, Past Imperial Potentate Walter M. Fleming paid the following tribute:

"I am indeed grieved to interrupt this joyous occasion to

announce the death of our beloved brother, that Illustrious Noble, William J. Florence, who died of pneumonia on the 19th day of November, 1891, at the Continental Hotel in Philadelphia, Pa. The announcement of the death of Noble Florence is scarcely less startling because it was anticipated. It comes with all the acuteness of a personal loss to admirers and friends from all parts of the compass and from every walk in life.

"Actor, Mason, man, his real genius was a genius for friendship. From high and low, from king and peasant alike, came the proud boast of friendship of Billy Florence! His greatness was measured in a single phrase,— he was all men's friend.

"The philosopher who wrote, 'I hold nothing to be alien to myself,' reduced to words the principles upon which Florence unconsciously lived. He was all sunshine and love. His happiest moments were those spent in contributing to the happiness of others. It is said that he was never known to utter an unkind or malicious word of any human being. If any man ever lived who was free from envy and uncharitableness, that man was William J. Florence.

"He was all that was bright and good in humanity. The influence of such a man does not cease with his exit. The world has been made happier by his living in it. With Florence, the Shakespearean rule shall be reversed: It is not the evil which he did which will live after him; the good is not interred with his bones. It is rare that it is given to any man to lead a more useful life than did Florence. It is doubtful whether there is any person living who has given more innocent and wholesome diversion to so many thousands as he. In this world of great realities and tragedies, of wearing cares and responsibilities, the man who can lighten them by his humor, and help to lift the burden even for a little, is a public benefactor. Such a man was Florence. Out of his own fund of good spirits and that rare sense of humor of his which sometimes produced a laugh, sometimes deep sympathy, it always made one better for seeing him. He added continually to the pleasure of others, and continually drew them to a higher level of taste and appreciation; and thus the public learned to regard him, not only with admiration, but with affection, for

> "'Laugh, and the world laughs with you;
> Weep, and you weep alone;
> For this brave old earth must borrow its mirth —
> It has troubles enough of its own.'

"Charles Lamb expressed the thought when he said: 'A laugh is worth a hundred groans in any state of the market.' Hume was wont to say he 'would rather possess a cheerful disposition — one inclined to view the bright side — than one which might claim to be the master of ten thousand a year.'

"As an actor, Florence did much to uplift the stage, even in the earlier periods of his professional career. When he devoted himself to Irish characters, he was never a clown or buffoon. His Irishman — whether master or servant — was always a creature of infinite jest and exuberant fancy. When he essayed the higher roles of the gamut, he produced the same genuine qualities of refinement in his work. Florence made acting worthy. He quit stage life honored by men in and out of his profession. King, statesman, journalist, financier — all courted the genial Billy. Nobody was the worse for knowing him. And ah! the good dinners he ate; the good wine he drank; the good stories he told, and the good deeds he performed!

"And Billy Florence was an accessory to this Order,— to its existence,— which will stand as a lasting monument exemplary of his very life, his splendid accomplishment, and the good deeds that he performed. He was loved by all men, but dearly loved by all Nobles of the Mystic Shrine!

> "'Alas! how sadly sleeps thy face
> Amid the sunshine glow —
> The golden glow that through thy heart
> Was wont such joy to send.
> Woe that it smiles, and not for thee,
> Our brother and our friend!'

"'Comedy removed her mask and wept at the bier of her beloved son' when the plaintive ceremonial of the dead began *in memoriam* of William J. Florence,— the actor,— the father of the Mystic Shrine. The funeral took place in New York on Monday last, and the great actor was mourned by thousands. The floral offerings were numerous and massive. Both the Catholics and the Freemasons behaved with rare and admirable tact and good judgment.* Now that Billy Florence's wholesome, jovial body is under the turf, and his great, generous soul,— no one who did not know him knows how great and broad and deep that soul was,— now that it rests in perpetual peace, which at last awaits all well-doers, of all creeds and of no creed at all, the truth of the matter begins to break like a morning futilely hid by window blinds.

"William Conlin Florence, no matter what his fondness for the good priests he knew, and for the beauty and beneficence of the creed they preached, was a Freemason who loved Freemasonry; who believed in its nobility; who practiced its charities; who was true to its obligations; who never — not even on his deathbed — renounced it. He stood high up on its rolls; he was proud of the honors it bestowed upon him; none of its craftsmen ever failed to receive at his hands the fullest exemplification of its precepts. There is a reason not only to believe, but to know, that the last pulses of his great, big heart beat faithfully to the keynote of the Order, and that his kind, sympathetic soul heard nothing but the sweet harmonies of common humanity.

"To Florence's keen and genial nature, Masonry meant not a conspiracy against faith in the supernatural, but a Fraternity of those who loved and who would benefit mankind, overwhelmed as it was by the mysteriously malignant condition of this temporal and transitory life.

"Had he anticipated death, had he felt that he stood on the bank of the dark stream which divides the visible from the invisible, the mortal from the immortal, he would not have quailed, because there was no act of his done in the full flush of his health and strength that Florence would have repudiated in the hour of his dissolution and in the face of death. Eternity never had terrors for that kind and simple soul. To reverse the thoughts and beliefs of a lifetime is to asperse with insult the new grave in Greenwood."

TRIBUTE OF IMPERIAL POTENTATE SAM BRIGGS

"His repute in connection with the Ancient Arabic Order is too well known to be repeated here," said Imperial Potentate Sam Briggs at the annual session of the Imperial Council in 1892, held at Omaha, Neb. "The name of Florence has been a shibboleth in every temple in the land since the advent of the Order in the

*The funeral services were held under the auspices of the Roman Catholic Church, of which the Conlin family were members, and it is claimed that Noble Florence had never renounced that faith, but had re-embraced it on his deathbed. There was no Masonic funeral.

Western world. His fame as an actor, gentleman, and prince of good fellows has been world-wide."

The Imperial Potentate quoted from life sketches and eulogies to more fully illustrate the place held by Noble Florence in the affection of the communities where he was known and the society wherein he moved, and concluded with these thoughts:

"Should a philosopher soliloquize on Life and Death I doubt not he would reason thus: If death comes after the accomplishment of the purposes of that life, then death has but reclaimed its own; otherwise the law of God would be transgressed, and the plan of the human mind diverted.

"I am persuaded that the inherent instinct of all life is a sphere in harmony with its environment, and its pathway is gilded by an Omnipresent, though unseen, hand, which fixes responsibility, and reward is measured by a universal law commensurate with the opportunities presented and the good accomplished. It would be grossly inconsistent with the scheme of creation to apply an inflexible rule as to what should not or should meet with approbation, or to arrive by degrees at a given scale. The truly just conclusion would be:

"He who has lived a life of usefulness with an honest purpose, has had to fully realize his faculties for the betterment of his surroundings. That man, in whatever direction he may have applied his efforts, has fulfilled his mission, has complied with the law, and, of right, should be awarded a place among the most exalted of his name.

"If I have reasoned well, then am I not justified in saying that the man who has reached the summit in the pursuit of his chosen part, whose lifework has been permeated with the milk of human kindness, and whose every thought, word, and act has been the lending of good cheer to his fellow man, has well earned the plaudits of the millions of this world, and a seat at the right hand of Him who fixes our destiny? Let the measure be by the most exacting rule and scale of the tried and true."

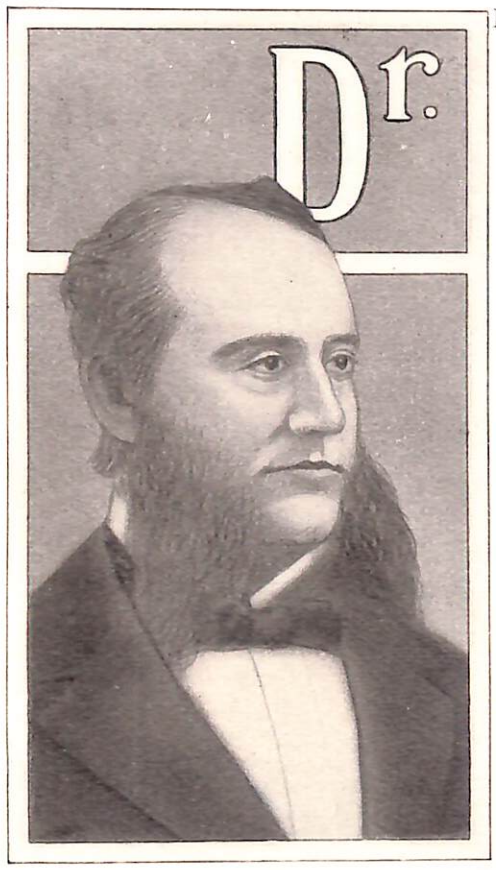
Arabic Almanac

The origin of the word almanac is derived from the Arabic words al and manah, to count. Almanacs in ancient days were employed by the Alexandrian Greeks, but their introduction into Europe is uncertain.

First day of Arabic month begins on:				Begins on:		
Rabih ul Akhir -	1301	Jan. 30, 1884		1302	Jan. 18, 1885	
Jamaz ul Awwal -	1301	Feb. 23, 1884		1302	Feb. 16, 1885	
Jamaz ul Akhir -	1301	Mar. 29, 1884		1302	Mar. 18, 1885	
Rajab - - - - -	1301	April 27, 1884		1302	April 16, 1885	
Shaaban - - - -	1301	May 27, 1884		1302	May 16, 1885	
Ramadan - - -	1301	June 25, 1884		1302	June 14, 1885	
Shawwal - - -	1301	July 25, 1884		1302	July 14, 1885	
Dhu'l-Kaada - -	1301	Aug. 23, 1884		1302	Aug. 12, 1885	
Dhu'l-Hajja - - -	1301	Sept. 22, 1884		1302	Sept. 11, 1885	
Moharrum - - -	1302	Oct. 21, 1884		1303	Oct. 10, 1885	
Safar - - - - -	1302	Nov. 20, 1884		1303	Nov. 9, 1885	
Rabih ul Awwal -	1302	Dec. 19, 1884		1303	Dec. 8, 1885	
Rabih ul Akhir -	1302	Jan. 18, 1885		1303	Jan. 7, 1886	

Surviving Charter Members

There remain to-day but three of the original thirteen men who formed Mecca Temple, and out of which grew the Imperial Council. These are Illustrious and Past Imperial Potentate Walter M. Fleming, Illustrious and Past Imperial Treasurer *pro tem* George W. Millar, and Illustrious and Past Imperial Recorder William S. Paterson.



FLEMING is now practically an invalid, and resides with his son at 141 Rich street, Mount Vernon, N. Y. His mind is as keen and active as ever, but his physical health prevents his participation in the glories of the Order which he nursed from a babe in swaddling clothes, if, indeed, he was not more responsible even than Noble Florence for its very inception and organization. The natural modesty that has always surrounded Dr. Fleming has served to keep in the background the full extent of the part he played in the formation of the Noble Order. The records of Mecca Temple and of the Imperial Council for the first twelve years show his official acts, but many of the other acts of those who were associates with him in the propagation of the Order are believed to have been actually inspired, if not carried out, by Dr. Fleming.

However, we must accept the record as it stands, but the laurels won by Dr. Fleming, it may safely be said, cover deeds and acts known only to him and his intimate associates in the work, in addition to the known labors which he has performed. It goes without saying, and the records bear it out, that Dr. Fleming did more to get the Order started in this country than did Noble Florence, but Dr. Fleming has always insisted that the full meed of credit be given to Noble Florence. This is intended by no means to detract from the credit due Noble Florence, for in his travels over the country he did wonders in arousing interest and extolling the beauties of the Order; but it was Dr. Fleming who inspired many of the lessons and who suggested many of the signs, ceremonies, and symbols which were collected in the Orient and adapted for use in the West. Not all of them could be used. Many of the ceremonies lacked meaning or significance to the western mind. In such cases the broad and keen mental vision of Dr. Fleming was employed to make these symbols plainer, and others put his ideas on paper or into practice.

Probably the full extent of Dr. Fleming's labors will never be known. Few there are now in this desert that know of the deeds he did and the acts he inspired, and these are pledged to secrecy, for Dr. Fleming has always wished to bear a modest part in the history of the Order. Some future writer may feel at liberty to give details that are not permissible during his lifetime but Dr. Fleming himself refuses to detract for one moment from the credit he has always insisted shall be given others who labored with him in the trying and uncertain days of the Order. No one will ever know of the prejudices that were to be overcome and how they were met. Not the least of the troubles was that of finance; and it is believed that if the truth were known it would be found that Dr. Fleming, aided by a handful of friends, himself carried the burden for half a dozen years.

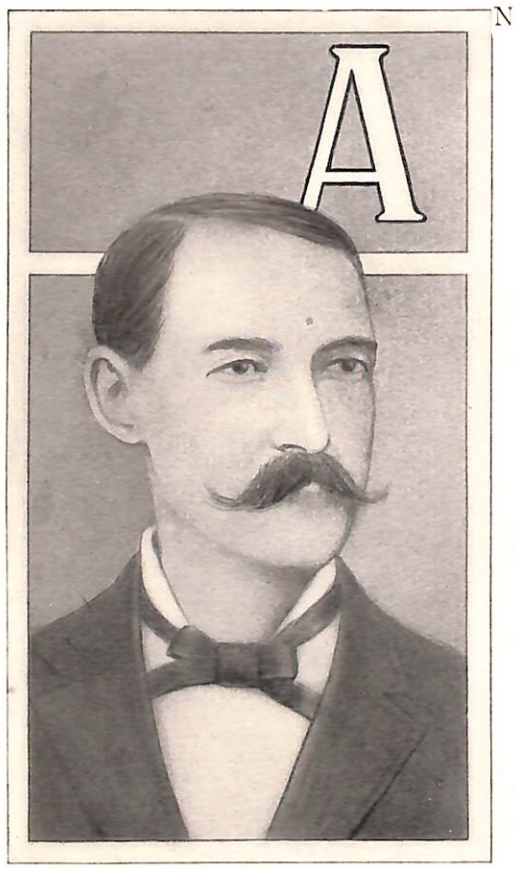
Unfortunately, the present writer is pledged by obligations given the living to say as little as possible, and in the case of Dr. Fleming he is permitted to give but the merest outline beyond that which is a part of the records of the proceedings of the Order, which records are dealt with in the history itself. Only a mere skeleton of the career of Dr. Fleming is possible.

Walter Millard Fleming was born in Portland, Maine, January 13, 1837. In his boyhood he removed to Rochester, N. Y., with his parents, where his father entered the practice of medicine. When he grew to manhood, the son also entered the practice of medicine and located in New York City, there later to build up a good practice. He prospered, married, and gave his time for the benefit of his fellow men.

He early united with Masonry and was active in all the bodies of the York and Scottish Rites. He has been highly honored by Columbian Commandery, Knights Templar, and by New York City Consistory, and has been coroneted with the thirty-third and last degree for conspicuous services.

A *bon vivant, raconteur*, and prince of good fellows, Dr. Fleming has had friends by the thousands. For many years he lived at the Gilsey House in New York, and was house physician not only to that hotel, but also to the Victoria and Grand Hotels. Among the theatrical profession he was highly popular and was the physician of many noted actors. His friendships in this respect included some of the most noted stars of the period between 1875 and 1890, and even until his retirement a few years ago Dr. Fleming maintained his close relations with this profession.

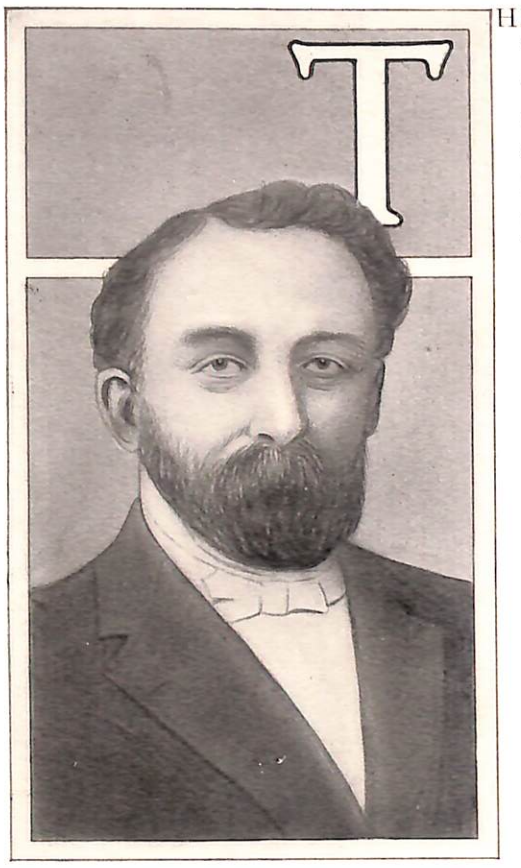
Romance filled a great part of the life of Dr. Fleming, and his mind was given to the unfolding of the most interesting tales. Had he given his life to literature rather than to medicine, many of his stories would have been as standard as the tales of the "Arabian Nights" or other classics. This romantic turn of mind led him fully to see the beauties of the Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine when William J. Florence came home from a tour of Europe and the Orient filled with the enthusiasm born of his initiation and his researches. The rituals, differing somewhat in the several Oriental countries, were compared, the hidden meanings rendered into English, then elaborated and beautified by Dr. Fleming to reach the keener and quicker Western mind, which is not given so much to dreams. To preserve the beauties of the Order and yet have them fully appreciated by the Western mind, complete rewriting was necessary and many of the similes employed in this work were suggested or inspired by Dr. Fleming, although the work of shaping up the ritual in English was left very largely to Charles T. McClenachan, who put Dr. Fleming's ideas into words and harmonized them with the Arabic text.



ANOTHER of the surviving charter members is William Sleigh Paterson, a native of Haddington, Scotland, where he was born in March, 1844, coming to this country when a young man. He is a literary man of signal ability and an expert proofreader, in which capacity he has been employed for many years by A. H. Kellogg. It is said of him that a mistake in rhetoric, an error of history, or a misquotation of an authority has never yet passed him, and he has read the manuscripts of some of the country's most noted authors.

The services of such a man naturally had a great value in the early history of the Order. Noble Paterson was for twenty years Recorder of Mecca Temple, and all its records from its formation until his retirement from office were kept and written by him. He was also Imperial Recorder from the formation of the Imperial Council in 1876 until his retirement at the Chicago session in 1889. His work for the Imperial Council is attested by the records themselves, although they do not show the real part he played, in company with his fellow charter members, in carrying on the Order during the first ten years of its existence.

Noble Paterson is gifted with a wonderful mind, and is also an expert on chess. He is a bachelor, and has devoted nearly all his life to Masonry, which has honored him with the thirty-third degree. He is a member of Columbian Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar, and of Aurora Grata Consistory. For many years he was Secretary of the Scottish Rite bodies in New York City.



THE third surviving charter member of Mecca Temple is George W. Millar, a paper merchant at 64 Duane street, New York City, and who resides at 163 West Twelfth street, where for many years he has owned his home. He was born January 26, 1840, in Boston. He was Knighted in Columbian Commandery, Knights Templar, and received the Scottish Rite degrees in Aurora Grata Consistory. He is the active member of the thirty-third degree for New York State.

Throughout his life Noble Millar has been active in all the Masonic bodies, even more so than in the Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, although his shoulders, too, were with those put under the weight of the Order for the many years when its existence was threatened. Noble Millar is a Trustee of the Scottish Rite bodies and is the representative of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales near the Grand Lodge of New York.

Noble Millar, like Nobles Fleming and Paterson, has rendered to the Order many services which will never appear in the records and which represent great personal sacrifices. He has been a faithful worker at all times, and no little share of the credit for the eventual success of the Order is due to the determination of Noble Millar that the beautiful work of the ritual and the lessons it inculcated should never be lost. When the shadows were darkest, he, with Dr. Fleming, Noble Paterson, and Noble McClenachan, threw himself into the breach and performed unwritten and unrecorded acts which stemmed the tides of indifference and opposition and kept the Order alive until the beauties of the ritual had sunk deeply into the hearts of other men of deep and loving minds, and they, too, united to upbuild the work, the foundations of which had been so well laid.

To the work of Florence, Fleming, Millar, and Paterson must be added that of Charles T. McClenachan, who has entered the Unseen Temple. It was to him that the work of Americanizing the ritual brought back by Florence was intrusted, with the incorporation therein of the ideas of modern humanity and charity as outlined by Dr. Fleming. The ritual stands to-day as a monument to Noble McClenachan, for had it not been for his liberal treatment in its translation many of the applications would have been lost entirely. In this work he was aided by Professor Albert S. Rawson, reference to which is made in another part of this work.

History of the Fez

THE conventional uniform for Nobles of the Mystic Shrine is full evening dress with a red fez, usually bearing, in addition to the Crescent and Sphinx head embroidered in gold, the name of the temple. The fez may be worn at any time when the Shrine is in session or when regularly assembled for any occasion, such as a street parade or a theater party, or a ladies' night. It is also customary to wear it continuously during the sessions of the Imperial Council and during the time given up to the entertainment of the visiting Nobles by the city and temple which entertains the Imperial Council.

But the laws of the Imperial Council positively forbid the wearing of the fez at any other time. It can only be worn in the temple, or at strictly Shrine functions. Nobles should ever keep this well in mind.

The fez gets its name from its original place of manufacture, Fez (or Fas) in Morocco, to which pilgrimages were made by the Mohammedans about 980 A. D., when the pilgrimages to Mecca were interrupted by the Crusades, and those of the Moslem faith living west of the Nile journeyed to Fez as to the Holy City.

A manufacturer of that city supplied to the students of a great school there a scarlet tarboosh, which was the insignia of the school and the means by which the students were readily recognized. The fez, as the tarboosh came to be known by the pilgrims who carried away similar pieces of headwear, soon came to be worn all along the northern shores of Africa and gradually extended east of the Nile. It is to-day the headpiece of nearly every male resident of the Orient.

Noble John Worthington, United States Consul at Malta, and Representative of the Orders of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in the Orient, went to considerable trouble to gather some interesting data regarding the fez, and wrote this letter to Noble Albert L. Rawson:

MALTA, MEDITERRANEAN SEA,
March 15, 1887.

MY DEAR SHAREEF AND MUNSHEE: During the past few years that I have had the honor and pleasure of representing the Mystic Shrine in this part of the Orient many inquiries have been made of me by visiting Nobles, and a great many more through the mail, as to a proper headdress for use by a Noble in the temple and in public during the celebration of any stated festival. Not being able to learn definitely what was necessary at this place, although we have a number of learned Mohammedans here, I sent a letter of inquiry to the ancient and formerly very holy city of Fez in Morocco. That name should be spelled Fas, for that is what the Imam here says it is, the Holy City Fas, from which the red cap was named. I inclose the answer, which is said to be in the Maugribee (western) dialect of Arabic, and exhibits to a considerable degree scholarship (Arabic, *arcf)* and travel. There is a young Moslem here I named Ahmet Ibn Al Keef, who was born in Fez, and lived there until he was fifteen years old, when he made the pilgrimage to Mekkah as a companion to the governor of that city, from whom he parted company, on the return journey here, by the governor's permission, who says that he has often heard his father say that the red cap was for centuries the staple manufacture of the city, being made and sold in vast quantities. It was this young Arab who suggested my letter of inquiry. In our day these wool caps are made of white wool and shaped in Germany, Austria, and elsewhere, and sent to the Turkish dominions, where they are dyed red. The Arab dyers keep the secret of using scarlet in dyeing wool, for their goods never fade, while the imitations almost always lose their color. But here is the letter:

(Translation)

IN THE NAME OF ALLAH, COMPASSIONATE, MERCIFUL

To His Excellency the Cid, Consul for the United States of North America, American born, dwelling in the city of Valetta, in the Island of Malta.

GREETING: I have had the honor and pleasure of receiving from the hands and by the courtesy of the Imam of Meqainez, who was returning from Tangiers, a letter from your lordship, inquiring about the headdress of the faithful. To this I take pleasure in forwarding in writing such information as is now in my keeping.

The city of Fez (correctly written Fas) was founded by Shareef Edris II, A. H. 195 (A. D. 793), and was an independent State until A. H. 956 (A. D. 1548), when it was absorbed by Morocco. When pilgrimages to Mekkah were interrupted by the Christian warriors in the fourth century A. H. 356 (A. D. 980), the Mohammedans west of the Nile journeyed to Fez, as to a Holy City, and to this day no one but the faithful to Allah is permitted to enter the city proper without special permission from the authorities. Fez early became a seat of learning, drawing pupils and scholars from all parts of the Mohammedan world. Its manufactures were important from the first, and included jewelry, gold and silver cloth, silks, gauzes, sashes, carpets, headdresses *(haik)*, and tarbooshes, which were soon known as fezes, so named from the city. Caravans carried the goods in every direction, even as far as Timbuctoo in the south. The fez was dyed scarlet for the use of the students in the many colleges, but as it became a mark of learning in favor of the wearer it gradually displaced all other forms and colors, and became the peculiar headdress of the Moslem in all parts of the empire. The Turkish name is Kalpak. Arabs also call it Beritha, Fernetta, and Shemreer, but the classic term is Emameh. Some of the Maugreebs use the name Terbanti, and it is from this that Spanish, French, and other Europeans (giaours) came to call it turban. Red or scarlet is the only orthodox color for the fez, while the outer covering may be of any color or combination of colors, according to the rank and dignity of the wearer.

HISTORY OF THE FEZ

The custom of the various sects of dervishes is to adopt a certain form and color of headdress, which may not include the fez, with or without an outer wrap. There is in this city, in the White district, or New City, a company of the faithful who say they are Shareefs, and descendants in a direct line from Mohammed (Allah favor and preserve him!). The head of that body is learned in all things established by the Prophet (whose name be praised), and, if your associates are of the same Order in the faith, he would gladly give you every information desired. His honored and respected name is Mahmood Ben Hassan Al Haj.

A white cotton cap is worn inside of the fez as a protection to it from perspiration, and the various oily dressings of the head in the barber shop. This cap is called Takeeyeh, and is sometimes stitched in a very ornate style.

When the fez is covered by cloth of different colors as a means of distinguishing various orders and classes in society, the Imam affects a very large white turban, and the student of theology or law a smaller one; the doctor, one of figured muslin, made very formal in front by crossing the folds carefully; the merchant, a small white or figured wrap, or a cashmere shawl, not too large; and Jews are required to use blue only or none.

Many families in the early years of Mohammedan rule adopted a certain color or style of turban, or emameh, which has been continued by their descendants to the present. The descendants of Mohammed chose green as the color for Shareefs. (If any wrap is used about the fez in the temple, it should, according to this account, be green.— J. W.) In A. H. 778 (A. D. 1376), Shareefs were ordered to wear dresses of green also. Now only Shareefs of undoubted pedigree are permitted to wear green, while all others of the faithful must earn that privilege by a pilgrimage to the Kaabah and the Holy Hill Arafat.

Workmen wear white, gray, brown,— any color except green or blue, but of very small size.

Ornaments are proper only for persons of rank and dignity, in the service of the government, or professors of science and art.

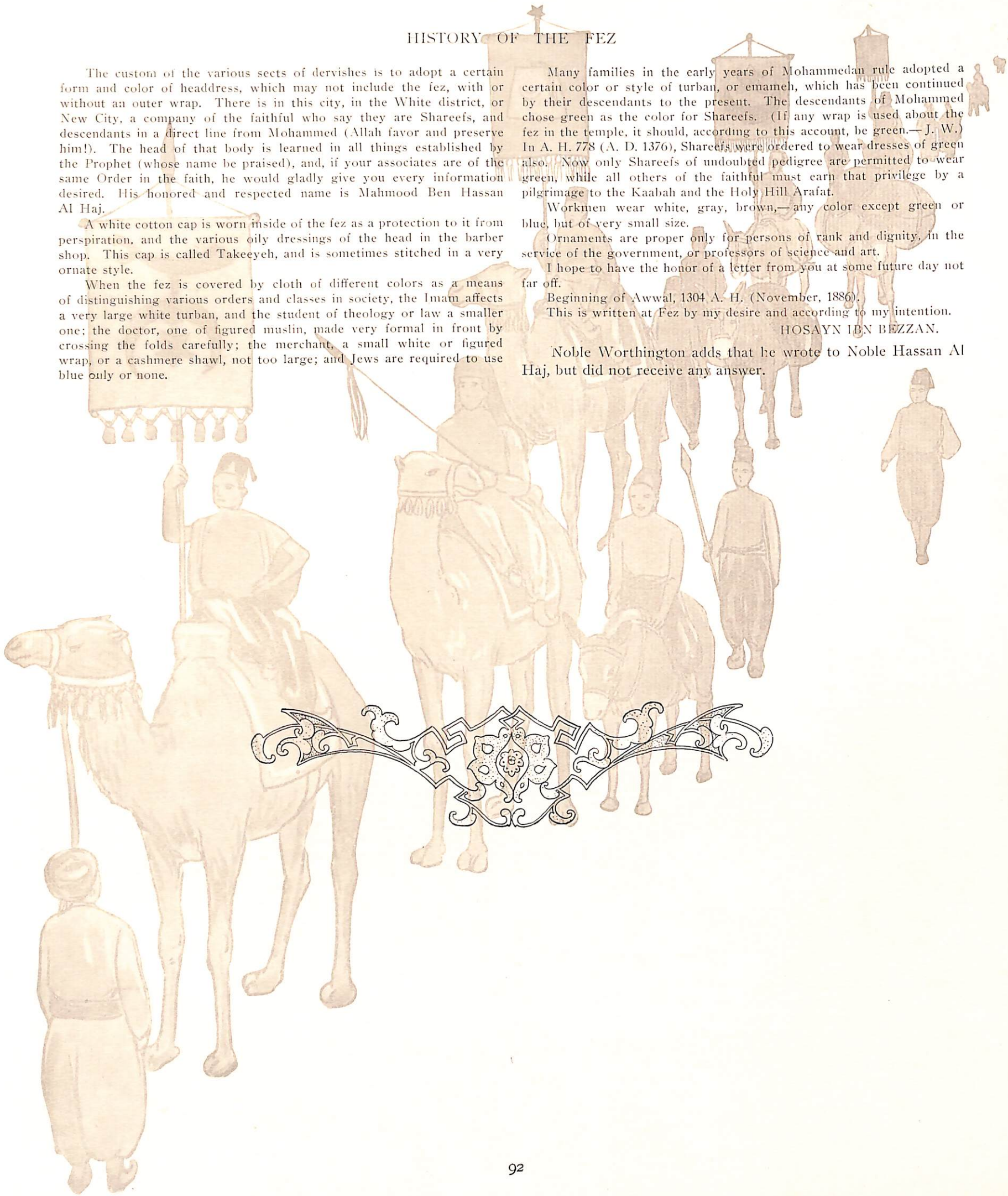
I hope to have the honor of a letter from you at some future day not far off.

Beginning of Awwal, 1304 A. H. (November, 1886).

This is written at Fez by my desire and according to my intention.

HOSAYN IBN BEZZAN.

Noble Worthington adds that he wrote to Noble Hassan Al Haj, but did not receive any answer.



Mourning Ceremonies

THE question has often arisen as to the proper wording of mourning proclamations and of mourning ceremonies. The following mandate and synopsis of memorial ceremonies observed in 1886, issued by Imperial Potentate Walter M. Fleming, may be taken as models, they having been observed in the case of the death of Noble Mahmoud Pasha El Falaki, Grand Shareef, who died in Cairo, where he had long been a devoted, faithful member of the Mystic Shrine, and whose body now rests in the family vault in Iman Chaffrai Cemetery, which was finished just on the eve of his death at the age of seventy-five years. On the very evening of the death of this noted Shareef he had been conversing with a friend upon the affairs of the Order, recounting the chief points of an historical paper he was about to produce relating to the Shrine of Sinai, in southern Syria, during the stirring and bitter years of its struggle for the perpetuity of its ancient rites against the fanatic Kurds of the twelfth century.

His funeral was attended by hundreds of mourners, many of them being Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, including His Excellency Sidki Pasha, Aid-de-camp to the Khedive, who represented His Highness; His Excellency Alee Pasha Shareef, their Excellencies the Ministers, the heads of government departments, the pupils of the government schools. At the tomb His Excellency Noble Dr. Abbata Pasha delivered an eloquent and touching eulogy.

The death of Noble Mahmoud Pasha was officially reported by Noble John Worthington, United States Consul at Malta, and the representative of the Imperial Council in the near East. His splendid tribute appears in the published Proceedings of the Imperial Council for 1886.

The Imperial Potentate issued, January 4, 1886, the following:

EDICT OF SORROW

Nobility of the Mystic Shrine

Proclamation emanating from the Congress of the Imperial Councils of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, United States of America, to all Illustrious Potentates, Rabbans, and Noble Shareefs throughout the jurisdiction of the Western Hemisphere.

AFFLICTION ! — DISTRESS ! — SORROW !

Illustrious Noble Ali Mahmoud Pasha El Falaki, Grand Shareef al Muhazzi of Al Kaheerah Temple, Cairo, Egypt, under domain of the Crescent, is dead.

This renowned savant of the Order Bektasheeyeh, of Mystic Shrine, is officially announced departed to the Unseen Temple. Therefore ye, the Official Corps extant, Imperial and Subordinate, are hereby commanded for the full term of the next three crescent moons after this mandate, within the Mystic Sanctuaries of the Shrine, in accordance with the ancient Oriental custom, to drape your altars and tombs with the insignia of mourning; and let the symbolic funeral urn be placed upon the sacred Black Stone, there to exhale incense during all ceremonials, and inscribe upon your temple records notice of the same, in obedience to Supreme Decree.

WALTER M. FLEMING,
Imperial Potentate.

W. S. PATERSON,
Imperial Recorder.

The synopsis prepared by the Most Illustrious Imperial Potentate for the observance of the memorial ceremonies is as below:

SYNOPSIS OF RITUALISTIC
ESOTERIC MEMORIAL OBSERVANCES OF THE SHRINE

In the Name of Allah, the Merciful, the Compassionate!

DIRECTION FOR THE LAMENTATION — "SHIKAYAT"

Memorial Ceremonials for the Noble, the Shayk, the Shareef, the Exalted, the Welee,

This dedicated and set apart in honor of the memory of

MAHMOUD PASHA EL FALAKI,

Shareef al Muhazzi of Al Kaheerah Temple, Cairo, Egypt, who was called to the Unseen Temple — to Paradise (*"Jannat"*) — at the close of the day, 21st of the Arabic month Safar, 1303 A. H. (A. D. 1885, November 29), grown aged and laden with honors and virtues. He was the Director of the Bektasheeyeh, Honorary Member of the Sons of Alee, affiliate of the Order of the Pillar of Faith, Professor at College El Azhar, Pensioner of the Ancient Foundation for Learned Men, Fellow of the Society of Ancient Archæologists, Member of Khedival Academy, the learned Doctor in Ancient and Sacred Law, the favored of Heaven.

GUIDE FOR THE SHIKAWA — (Exalted Shareefs)

They who swerve not from propriety nor the right way, the way of duty, of love, and of reverence for the good, for such are the receivers of Divine favors, and are the blessed of Allah, and of such elect hold we our departed Shareef.

Emanating from the Noble Shareef Sultani of the Western Hemisphere, N. M. S.

TO ALL ILLUSTRIOUS POTENTATES, RABBANS, AND NOBLE SHAREEFS THROUGHOUT THE JURISDICTION

SALUTATION — BLESSING — SYMPATHY — ("JAZEBEEYAH")

To the end that we may share in the mercies and blessings bestowed by Allah, on all the faithful and pure, such as are received into Paradise, the abode of the Prophet (Allah favor and preserve him!), we hereby direct that the Ancient Observances, selected from the book entitled "Pearls of Faith," relating to solemn lamentations for the dead, be carefully followed.

SECTION A.—"ZATEE ASHAYA"

PERSONAL OBSERVANCES

Officiating Nobles will adopt the Special Title "Shakee" ("Lamenters")

1. Officiating Shareef's observance of *Sacred Ablution* in compliance with text of Sacred Numbers, the "*Seven Initial*" days of the "Ninety-nine" days of grief.

PREPARATORY

2. Purification (*"Tatheer"*): The mental Oblation to Deity.
3. Submission (*"Ittamas"*): Oral supplication on retirement from Ablution.
4. Prohibition (*"Babush"*): *Unshodden*, repeat the *"Tarheen"* from the Koran.
5. Humility: Personal observance of Garb and Toilet.
6. Reverence: Observation at Sunset.
7. Faith: Supplication. Allah. Paradise.

The Appointed Hour—The Sanctuaries—The Ceremonials.

Personal Cares and Duties. Due respect to the ancient requirements of the Koran and "Pearls of Faith." "Penance." "Sacrifice." The Hair. The Nails. The Feet. The Raiment. *The Piastres of Charity.* The Silk and Sackcloth. Fourth line of Sixth Chapter of the Koran. "Gratification." "He created you of the Dust." Orisons at Sunrise, in the Mosque. The "Yateem" (the Orphans' Fee). The Book of the Indulged. The Calendars. The Diet ("Koot wa Shurb"). "Drink not of the shameful before the sun has sunken in the west." Forget not the Armalah ("Widows' Fee"). Offer no coin in charity of forbidden date, nor bestow with thy *right hand* in days of affliction.

SECTION B.—"MAJMAH UMARAY"

ASSEMBLY OF THE DISCIPLES OF THE TEMPLE (NOBLES)

Enrollment and position in the Crescent of 33 and the Circle of 99. The lines of the forty-two Judges. The Bearers of the Ninety-nine Sacred Names of Allah. The Actives, the Emeriti, the Deputies. The Selected Motto from the Koran. "The nine days of ascent." The transition of the soul. The observance of Sowing of Salt and Fennel Seed. The midnight Crescent of the chosen 13. The trial of the soul, before the two angels *"Moonkeer"* and *"Nekeer."* The record of life. Recitation (mental), Sixth Chapter of Koran. Recitations in honor of the Noble Dead, now of Aaraf. The soul passing "Aaraf,"—the equidistant poise 'twixt Paradise and Al Hotama.

KORAN, Chapter VII, 99th line of Chapter "Aaraf": "Such as shall have done good works, according to their power, shall dwell eternally in Paradise." The Vase of Deadly Nightshade *(Flowering Belladonna).*

The Amulet, "Zayfaran" *(Saffron Flower)*—Protective Element. "Annoint with Oil of Spike and of Roses," only at the appointed time. Propitiate the Lord of the middle region *(between the Earth and the Moon)* with Incense of Gum Benzoin and fragrant Myrrh. "The Voyage by Night," from the Circle of 99. KORAN, Chapter 17, "of Mohammed."

SECTION C.—"THE KADDISHEEN"

Or, Combined Circles and Crescents, with the Imperial Shayk, shall represent each and every day of the Sacred Year, and thus recite the "Tekbeesh." The sacred responses. The 99 Holy Names of Deity. The "Fathah" *(First chapter of Koran).* The "Tekmil" *(Perfection).* "Kuroob" *(Griefs).* The "Tassalee" *(Consolations).* The protection of virtues. *"Nasoof al Layal" (The midnight lament).* Purification of *forbidden* raiment by Water and by Fire. "Perfume thy righteous Gaberdine with Civet" *("Zabad").* "With the sacred names of Allah (99 *written*), and of triangular fold of fabric, girded with the cord of green, next thy heart and skin, and armed with Faith, thou shall prove invulnerable to infirmity, disease, or misfortune," for "Al Khaleek al Bakey" *("He is the Creator, the Everlasting").*

APOTHEOSIS

"The Inevitable," "The rending asunder," of Al Koran, and the final individualization of the soul. *"Sayodjyam,"* the transformation only possible through death. The recognition of Allah the Most High. The officials, although clad in steel, gold, and glory, shall bow down, in reverence and humility, and proclaim that "Allah is God," the Merciful and Compassionate.

Our most glorious attributes are to be exemplified, acquitting ourselves of all temporal thoughts, and preparing, at any sacrifice, to expiate all sin; elucidating the embodiment and personification of the "great Islam," with Pageants, Zaims, Defenders, Retinue, and wailing Dervishes in Sandalled feet, amid the sweet perfumes of Arabia's incense, from the swinging censers and altars of sacrifice, accompanied by fervent music, deep, sad, austere, in weird and mystic melody; and the earnestness and sincerity of the devotion should be so absolute as to render the sanctuary of the Shrine a Temple of Purity, acceptable even for the presence of "Allah" "The Most High."

Thus shall ye teach that Powers Supreme govern our destinies. Admonish your disciples to respect every religion, even if believing none, and give assurance that a noble heart may throb alike in the breast of Arab, Christian, Greek, or Turk. Exemplify the attributes of Toleration, Truth, and Justice. War against fanaticism and superstition, and demonstrate retribution. Welcome to your altars all duly qualified, enlightened men, who believe in God, without regard to nativity or faith, ever remembering our attributes, as ancient as the corner stone of Mohammed's Temple at Mecca, as secret as the Moslem Oath that binds the Tribes of Africa to "Allah," or their God, which are derived from the deep, mysterious legends of the Koran.

THUS DO WE APPEAL!

Given under Hand and Seal, this first day of the Arabic month Rabih ul Akhir, A. H. 1303 (January 7, A. D. 1886).

WALTER M. FLEMING,
Imperial Potentate.

WILLIAM S. PATERSON,
Imperial Recorder.

It is related in the records that honor to the departed was exemplified in the splendor of the commemoration made by all the temples. In Mecca Temple the altar was draped with a rich pall, behind which stood a symbolic Egyptian tomb. In the East rested a catafalque, on which were laid the purple regalia and scimiter of a Past Potentate of the Order. Vases with emblematical flowers stood in appropriate places. The Grand Potentate was richly arrayed, and the other officers were clad in garments of more or less gorgeousness. The Nobles wore black gowns and fezes. The rites, which were long and elaborate, consisted chiefly of readings from the Koran and the Book called "Pearls of Faith," interspersed with solemn music, the burning of incense, and other symbolical observances peculiar to the Order.

EXTRACTS

FROM THE

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

OF

مجلس السلطاني

THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL

الخوية قديم عربي

ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER

NOBLES OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE

اشراف المسجد سنّي

FOR NORTH AMERICA

لاجل اميركا شمالي

Revised to July 1, 1909

Being portions applicable
to Subordinate Temples

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

NAME AND POWERS

SECTION 1. This body shall be known as stated.

SEC. 2. It has power to enact Laws, Statutes, and Regulations for the government of the whole Order; to issue Edicts; to amend or repeal the same; to grant dispensations and charters for holding Temples of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine within its jurisdiction; and to amend or revoke the same. Its authority also extends to such Temples as may be organized under its dispensations or charters in foreign countries.

SEC. 3. It has the exclusive right to control all the subordinate Temples of the Order within its jurisdiction. It may censure, suspend, and erase Temples; and try, discipline, suspend, or expel its members for violation and disobedience.

SEC. 4. It is the body to which all final appeals shall be made.

ARTICLE II

SESSIONS

SECTION 1. The Imperial Council shall meet annually. * * *

SEC. 2. Special sessions may be called by the Imperial Potentate in any emergency, at any time and place in his discretion, or, when requested by fifty Representatives to this Imperial Council. * * *

SEC. 3. Fifty Representatives, forty of whom shall be Representatives of separate Temples, shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE III

REPRESENTATIVES

SECTION 1. Representation in the Imperial Council shall be apportioned as follows: To every Temple * * * there shall be one Representative, who must be a member of the Temple electing him. Each Temple shall be entitled to two Representatives when its membership reaches three hundred, three Representatives when its membership reaches four hundred, and four Representatives when its membership reaches six hundred; but no Temple shall be allowed more than four Representatives.

SEC. 2. The Representatives shall be chosen as follows: Each Temple shall, at the regular annual election of officers, elect by ballot, and by a majority vote. * * *

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers of the Imperial Council shall be as follows, viz:

I. Imperial Potentate.
II. Deputy Imperial Potentate.
III. Imperial Chief Rabban.
IV. Imperial Assistant Rabban.
V. Imperial High Priest and Prophet.
VI. Imperial Oriental Guide.
VII. Imperial Treasurer.
VIII. Imperial Recorder.
IX. Imperial First Ceremonial Master.
X. Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, or Standard Bearer.
XI. Imperial Marshal.
XII. Imperial Captain of the Guard.
XIII. Imperial Outer Guard.

SEC. 3. The officers of the Imperial Council and of every subordinate Temple in the jurisdiction, before they enter upon the exercise of their respective duties, shall take the following obligation:

"I [name in full], do solemnly promise and vow that I will faithfully, and to the best of my ability, discharge the duties of the office to which I have been elected, and that I will strictly conform to the requirements of the Constitution, Regulations, and Edicts of the Imperial Council for North America."

ARTICLE X

PREREQUISITES FOR THE ORDER

SECTION 1. No application for the Order shall be received unless the applicant is a regular Knight Templar in good standing in a Commandery, or a thirty-second degree Mason in good standing in a Consistory of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of the obedience of either of the Supreme Councils for the Northern or for the Southern Masonic Jurisdiction of such Rite in the United States, and those Supreme Councils which are in amity with and recognized by them. Each application for the Order shall be made upon the form of petition provided by the Imperial Council. * * *

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE III

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

SECTION 1. Past Imperial Potentates and Representatives shall be entitled to mileage at the rate of six cents per mile, one way, by the shortest available route from the location of their Temples to the place of session or the Imperial Council, and *per diem* expenses at the rate of fifteen dollars for each day they are in attendance at the session of the Imperial Council. Such expenses to be paid out of the general funds of the Imperial Council.

SEC. 2. The Imperial Treasurer shall pay each Representative entitled to mileage and *per diem*. * * *

ARTICLE X

INITIATION FEE

SECTION 1. The Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine shall not be conferred upon any one for a less sum than fifty ($50) dollars; but Temples may increase the amount if desired.

ARTICLE XI

FEES AND REVENUES

SECTION 1. The revenue of the Imperial Council shall be derived from the following sources: * * *

SEC. 2. Each subordinate Temple shall pay to the Imperial Council the sum of two dollars and fifty cents ($2.50) for each and every candidate receiving the Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine within such Temple, which sum shall be forwarded immediately to the Imperial Recorder, who shall forthwith issue a diploma of the Imperial Council to each and every candidate.

The Imperial Recorder shall, upon the request of the Recorder of any Temple, issue to every member who joins a Temple by affiliation a diploma, free of charge, upon the return to the Imperial Recorder of the diploma

issued by the Temple in which the affiliate received the Order.

Sec. 3. Each subordinate Temple shall pay annually to the Imperial Council, in accordance with its membership, the following sum:

For 100 members or less, fifteen dollars ($15).

For all members over and above 100 members, fifteen cents for each member.

The dues shall accompany the annual return of every Temple to the Imperial Council.

ARTICLE XII

RITUAL

Section 1. The Ritual, as promulgated by the Imperial Council for the use of the Order in its jurisdiction, shall be adopted uniformly by every Temple, and no alterations or additions shall be made in the Ritual, except by authority of the Imperial Council, and every departure therefrom will be considered as an indignity to the same.

ARTICLE XIII

REGALIA, EMBLEMS, AND JEWELS

Section 1. The emblems, jewels, and costumes for every office in this Order, as promulgated by the Imperial Council, in its Ritual, shall be strictly adhered to.

Sec. 2. The red Turkish Fez is adopted as a uniform style of head covering for all Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Sec. 3. The emblems and jewels of the Mystic Shrine are the characteristic insignia of the Oriental nation from which the Order emanates. They are the Crescent, Pyramid, Sphinx Head, Panther-bodied Female Sphinx, the Urn, Sun, Moon, Stars, etc., and are used to decorate the Tombs, Banners, Draperies, Costumes, Regalia, etc. In mourning drapery the combination is the Sun with Rays, Moon and Stars.

Sec. 4. Crescent. The original and universal Emblematic Jewel is the Crescent, formed of two nails from a tiger's paw, united at their bases with a band of gold, and a ring at the base to suspend it as a charm or jewel, to be hung points downward. The gold band should be decorated with the Sphinx Head on one side, a Pyramid with the Urn upon it on the other; the name of the owner, and the date of his receiving the Order, engraved upon the sides; and inside the circle "Allah" or God, and the motto of the Order, which is "Robur et Furor," and signifies "Strength and Fury." Every Noble of the Mystic Shrine is entitled to wear this Jewel. *The combining of the emblems of other secret orders with the Jewel of the Shrine is deemed inappropriate, and is therefore prohibited.*

Sec. 5. The wearing of the Fez and Jewel of the Order on occasions other than meetings of the Temples of the Arabic Order, or gatherings of Shriners under the authority of some legal body of the Order, is ill-advised, and Potentates are expected to prevent such action by their members.

ARTICLE XIV

Section 1. The Imperial Recorder shall, at each annual session of the Imperial Council, announce the Color of the Card for the Visiting Certificate, and the Color of the Ink with which it shall be printed for the following year. He shall also send to the Recorder of each Temple a notice of the announcement, and all Temples are hereby ordered to adopt the same.

CODE

ARTICLE II

JURISDICTION OF TEMPLES

Section 1. The territorial jurisdiction of subordinate Temples, chartered by this Imperial Council, extends in all directions to one-half the distance, by a direct line, between itself and the nearest Temple, *provided*, that in no case can it extend beyond the limits of the State, Territory, or district in which it is located; *provided*, also, that Temples occupying the same State or Territory may agree upon concurrent jurisdiction within, or in equitable division of their territory, should they so desire. * * *

Sec. 2. A Temple shall not act upon a petition for initiation of any one residing within the jurisdiction of another Temple without first obtaining permission of such Temple. It shall be competent in such cases for a Temple to waive its jurisdiction and permit another Temple to confer the Order upon one residing within its jurisdiction; and such authority shall be given only under the seal of the Temple so granting it. Temples having concurrent jurisdiction must notify each other of all petitions received. It shall be the duty of the Imperial Potentate to suspend the work of any Temple violating the provisions of this section until the next meeting of the Imperial Council.

Sec. 3. A candidate having been elected in a Temple, it is within the power of that Temple to ask, under seal, another Temple to confer the Order upon the candidate as a compliment to the Temple making the request.* * *

Sec. 4. Each Temple is sovereign in its own jurisdiction, whether under dispensation or chartered, and no applicant, actually resident in such jurisdiction, can apply elsewhere for the Order without the consent of the Temple. Where two Temples hold concurrent jurisdiction over territory, the consent of both will be necessary to enable an applicant of that jurisdiction to become a member of a Temple in any other jurisdiction. A Temple having received a petition from one possessing the necessary qualifications and having regularly elected the candidate, retains jurisdiction over him until initiation, no matter whether said candidate subsequently removes from its jurisdiction or not.

Sec. 5. Temples may open and confer the Order at any place within their jurisdiction, notice being given of such intent and candidates having been previously elected. * * *

Sec. 6. Each Temple is sovereign in its own jurisdiction in all matters pertaining to the Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and has jurisdiction for purposes of discipline over all sojourning Nobles. No organization of any kind using emblems of the Order, or a title or titles, pronouncing it to be an organization of Shriners, shall be organized in the jurisdiction of a Temple except with the official sanction of said Temple. * * *

ARTICLE III

SUBORDINATE TEMPLES — HOW CONSTITUTED

Section 1. All regular subordinate bodies of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine are termed Temples, and shall consist of the following officers:

I. Illustrious Potentate — Shayk
II. Chief Rabban — Emeer
III. Assistant Rabban — Sahib
IV. High Priest and Prophet — Imam
V. Oriental Guide — Ayn
VI. Treasurer — Chayzin

VII. Recorder — Katib
VIII. First Ceremonial Master — Wakil
IX. Second Ceremonial Master, or Standard Bearer — Alam
X. Director — Malah
XI. Marshal — Amal
XII. Captain of the Guard — Rays
XIII. Outer Guard — Hafiz

and as many members as the Temple may admit.

The first seven officers shall be elected annually by ballot. The remaining officers shall be appointed by the illustrious Potentate.

A quorum in a Temple consists of seven members entitled to vote therein, including an officer entitled to open the body.

ARTICLE IV

ENTHRONEMENT

SECTION 1. Previous to the enthronement of a Potentate-elect, the Imperial Council requires his assent to the following ordinances:

First. Do you solemnly vow, upon your honor, that you will exert your best endeavors to promote the true happiness of your brother Nobles of the Mystic Shrine?

Second. That you will endeavor to promote the general good of the Order and preserve the solemnity of the ceremonies with profound respect and reverence?

Third. That you will not acknowledge or have intercourse with any Temple which does not work under constitutional authority as recognized by the Imperial Council?

Fourth. That you will ever maintain and support the authority of the Imperial Council for North America, and enforce obedience to its Constitution, Regulations, and Edicts?

Do you submit to all these ordinances and promise to observe and practice them faithfully?

ARTICLE V

ILLUSTRIOUS POTENTATE — DUTIES

SECTION 1. The Illustrious Potentate is specially charged to see that the By-laws of his Temple are duly observed, as well as the Constitution, Regulations, and Edicts of the Imperial Council; that accurate records are kept and just accounts rendered; that regular returns are made to the Imperial Council, and that the annual dues are promptly paid; and that no fewer than two stated sessions are held annually, of which one shall be held in December. He shall see that a copy of each printed notice issued by his Temple to its members shall be mailed to the Imperial Potentate as soon as the same is sent to the members of his Temple.

SEC. 2. Special session of a Temple may be called by the Illustrious Potentate at any time, due notice thereof being given to each member, stating the business to be considered, and no other business than that specified in the call or summons shall be transacted.

ARTICLE VI

OFFICERS OF TEMPLES — DUTIES

SECTION 1. The duties of the officers of the Temples shall be those assigned to them in the Ritual, and as traditionally appropriate to them respectively, as also those defined in the Constitution and Regulations.

SEC. 2. The Potentate, Chief Rabban and Assistant Rabban cannot resign, after having been duly elected and installed, but upon the death or removal from the jurisdiction of the Potentate of any Temple a special election may be held to fill the vacancy, and any other vacancy or vacancies that may occur, by virtue of any officer being promoted, provided satisfactory explanation shall have first been made to, and dispensation secured from, the Imperial Potentate for said election. Any other officer of a Temple may resign his office. No member can be forced to accept an election to an office.

ARTICLE VII

BALLOT ON CANDIDATES

SECTION 1. If, upon the balloting for a candidate, subsequent to a favorable report, three black balls shall appear, another ballot shall immediately be had, but no more. Upon the appearance of three black balls a second time, the candidate shall be declared rejected and disqualified from making a second application for thirteen weeks.

SEC. 2. After a candidate has been declared elected, any subsequent objection or protest must be filed in writing, signed by at least three members of the body, and must stand. Said objection shall be entered upon the minutes and shall have the same force and effect as a second ballot, and shall prevent a reconsideration of the matter for thirteen weeks.

ARTICLE VIII

DECISION OF QUESTIONS

SECTION 1. All questions shall be determined by a majority of votes.

SEC. 2. The presiding officer shall have no vote unless there be a tie, when he shall have the deciding vote.

SEC. 3. No appeal from the decision of the Illustrious Potentate shall lie to the Temple. Any member may appeal from the decision of the Illustrious Potentate to the Imperial Potentate, whose decision shall stand until the same shall be revoked or approved by the Imperial Council.

ARTICLE XI

BY-LAWS

Each Temple is required to forward a copy of its By-laws, or any Amendments thereto, to the Imperial Council for approval, and also when such approval has been received, to forward to the Imperial Council a copy of such By-laws or the Amendments thereto, but no By-laws, or Amendments thereto, of any Temple shall go into effect until after the same has been approved by the Imperial Council, provided that the Imperial Potentate may provisionally approve such By-laws as amended thereto in the interim of the sessions of the Imperial Council.

ARTICLE XII

MEMBERSHIP IN TEMPLES

SECTION 1. Any person applying for the Order to any Temple shall be an actual resident for at least six months of the jurisdiction of the Temple to which he applies. Actual residence is defined to mean the place where the applicant in good faith makes his home; any Temple of the Order may, however, receive and act upon the petition of one who is a resident of a Country, Territory, or State, wherein no Temple of the Order exists. Membership may be terminated by voluntary dimission upon payment of all indebtedness to the Temple, or by expulsion from the Order after due trial, and a vote of three-fourths of the members present when the vote is taken.

SEC. 2. A Noble can hold active membership in but one Temple; a Noble must retain his active membership in a Commandery or Consistory to retain his membership in his Temple. Voluntary non-affiliation in Commandery or Consistory for six months shall deprive a Noble of the Mystic Shrine of his membership in his Temple. When

a Temple learns by official notice from a Commandery or Consistory or by reliable information from a Noble, communicated to the Temple, either verbally or in writing, while said Temple is in session, that one of the members of the Temple has been a non-affiliated Knight Templar or Consistory member for six months, and is not in good standing in one or the other body which is the prerequisite to membership in the Shrine, then the Temple shall, by its Recorder, notify the member so charged, that he must appear in the Temple, or give evidence to the Temple, at its first stated session thereafter and show that the non-affiliation is not voluntary on his part. Should he fail to do this, then he shall be declared suspended from all his rights and benefits of membership until he does affiliate with one of the prerequisite Masonic Bodies. *Voluntary* non-affiliation means that the non-affiliate, of his own free will and accord, has made no effort to affiliate during a period of six months. If he makes an effort to affiliate by petitioning in one or the other prerequisite bodies, Commandery or Consistory, then his non-affiliation is not *voluntary*, because he has done his part in trying to become affiliated.

No dimit can be granted to a Noble accused of violation of the laws of the Order, pending his trial. No Temple can withhold a dimit from a Noble who is free from charges and indebtedness to the Temple. A dimit is a certificate that the Noble named therein is in good standing and of good repute and recommended as such to other Temples. A Temple may issue a duplicate dimit to a Noble, but must satisfy itself that a Noble asking for it is still in good repute.

Sec. 3. Affiliation is a matter solely between the applicant and the Temple to which he applies. A Noble of the Mystic Shrine, holding a dimit from a legal Temple, may present his petition to any Temple of the Order.

Sec. 4. A Noble of the Mystic Shrine, who, for any cause, is suspended or expelled by his Commandery or Consistory, stands suspended or expelled, as the case may be, in his Temple, until restored to good standing in his Commandery or Consistory, when he shall be restored to good standing in his Temple without the vote of that body.

He shall not be charged with dues to the Temple during the period of his suspension.

Sec. 5. A member may be suspended for non-payment of dues, or suspended or expelled for conduct unbecoming a member of the Order.

To suspend for non-payment of dues, a majority vote only of the members present at any regular meeting shall be necessary, provided notice has been given to the delinquent member that he is in arrears and an opportunity afforded him to be present.

For conduct unbecoming a member of the Order, it shall require a vote of two-thirds of the members present to suspend membership, and a vote of three-fourths of the members present to expel a member at any regular meeting.

No member of any Temple can be suspended or expelled for conduct unbecoming a member, without formal charges being presented, notice served upon him, and an opportunity afforded him to be heard in his defense.

Sec. 6. Any Noble suspended or expelled by his Temple may be reinstated by such Temple on written petition and vote and by the same majority suspending or expelling him, and on payment of all arrearages in case of suspension for non-payment of dues.

ARTICLE XIII

VISITORS TO TEMPLES

Section 1. Any member of a Temple may object to the presence in his (objector's) own Temple of any visiting member of the Order should he desire to do so.

Sec. 2. A Noble cannot visit any other Temple than his own, except he exhibit to the Temple which he desires to visit a certificate, signed by the Recorder of his own Temple and bearing the seal thereof, that such Noble is in good and regular standing.* * *

ARTICLE XIV

HONORARY MEMBERS

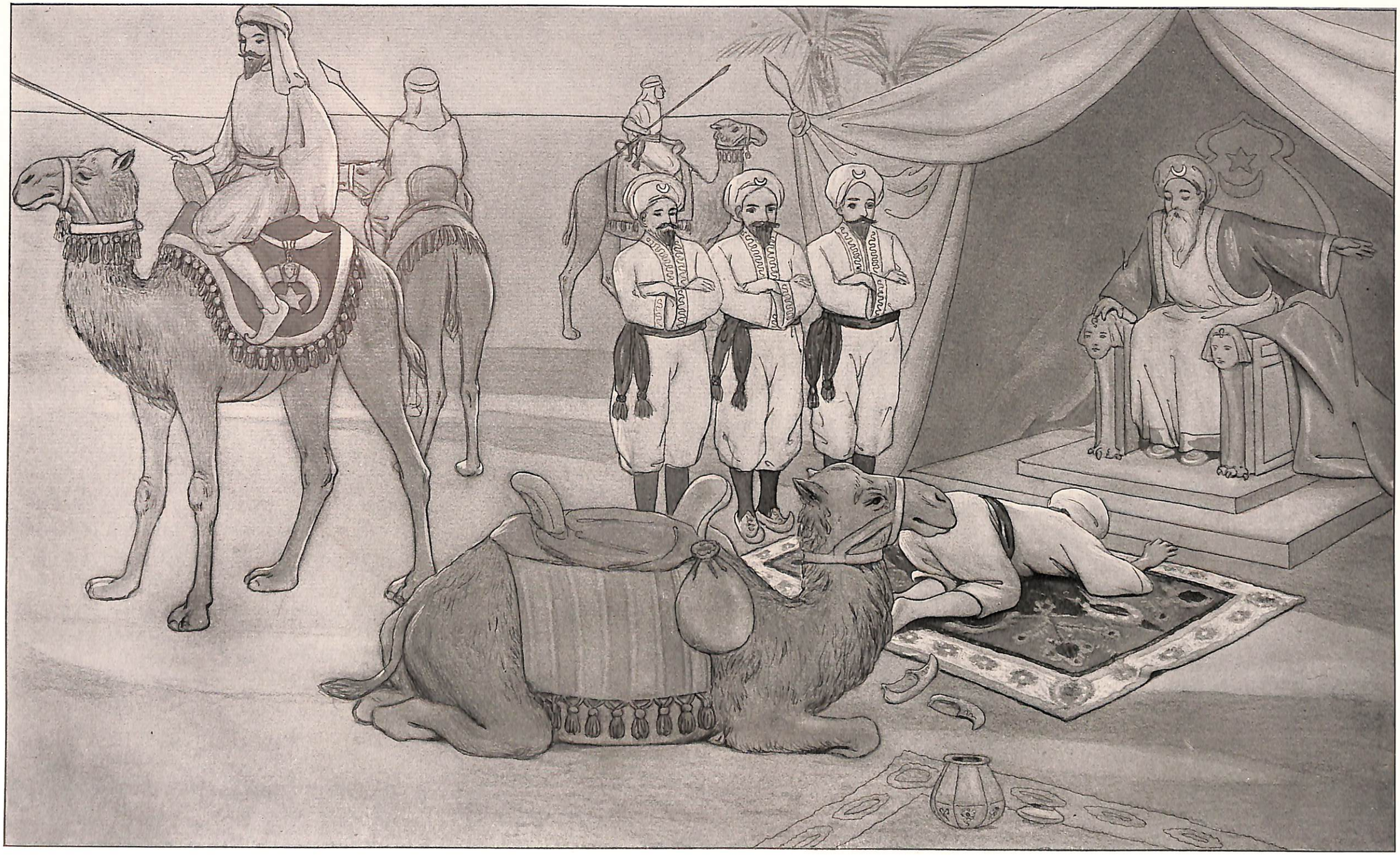
Section 1. Honorary membership may be conferred by subordinate Temples upon any member of the Order, as a compliment, by a majority vote, but such membership confers no rights or privileges.

ARTICLE XV

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Every Temple shall annually elect officers and its representative or representatives to the Imperial Council by ballot, and by a majority vote at a stated session to be held in December, and the installation of officers shall take place immediately or at its first succeeding session. The use of a blanket ballot for the election of officers and representatives is prohibited.

If a public installation of officers be deemed desirable, the officers-elect must take the oath of office in the body of the Temple when properly guarded, and prior to the public ceremony of installation. * * *



The Message of Shareef Sultani

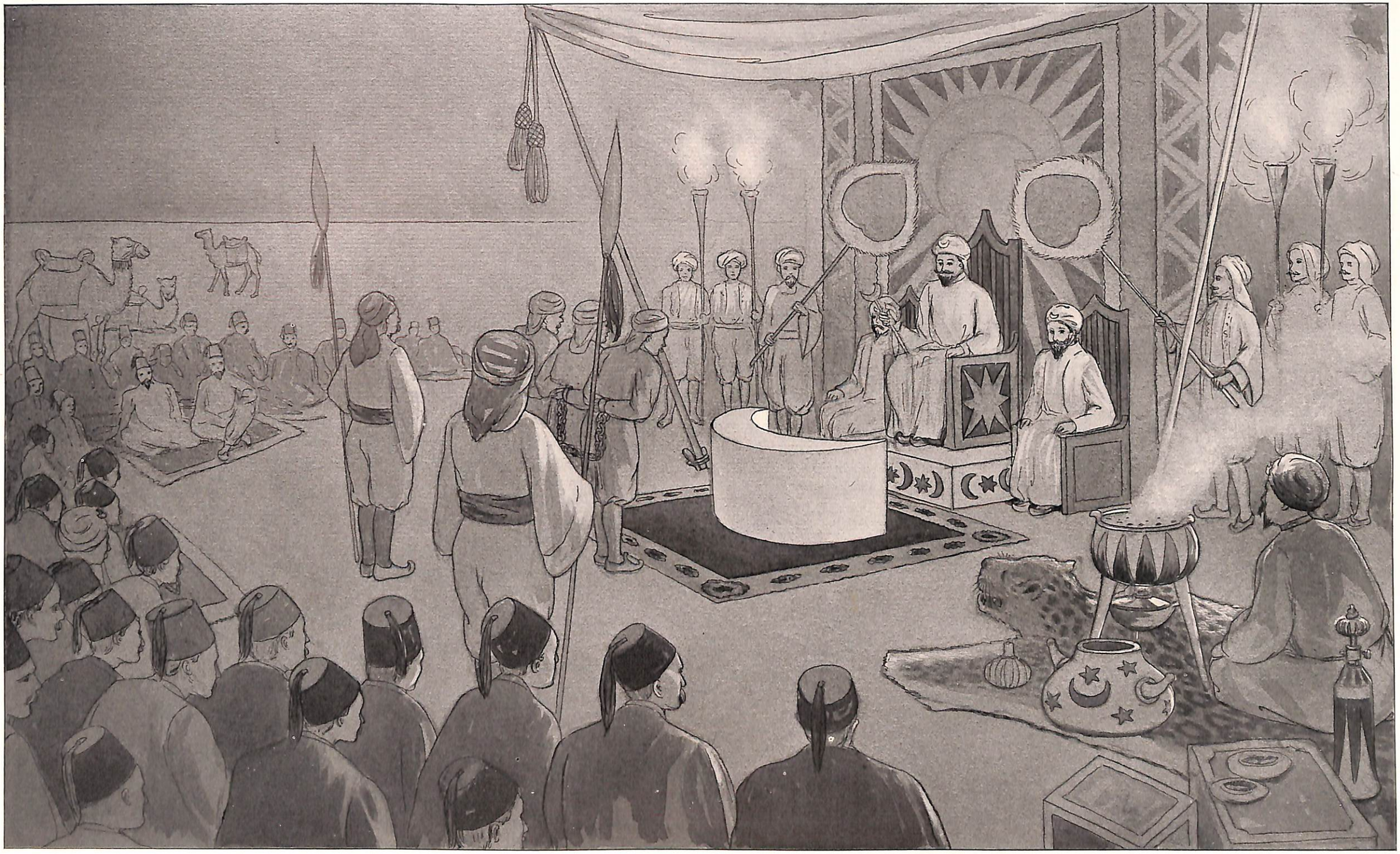
Danger is imminent and the Shrine is in jeopardy! The Shareef Sultani must call a meeting to take action. Trusty messengers are called into his presence and charged to deliver a message to the faithful. "Make all haste, one of you to the east, one to the north, one to the south, and one to the west." "Let naught detain you nor swerve you from your purpose." "Bid our trusty Arabs to repair to the Temple forthwith, nor fail not, under penalty of our displeasure." "Mount and make haste! Away!"

The Way Disputed

"Shall the message of the Potentate be delivered? It must! With the help of Allah will I conquer this fierce denizen of the desert." Fearful struggle on the lonely desert. The messenger slays the tiger. "Thanks to Allah, the King of Kings, I have won the battle." "Now to deliver the message to my faithful brethren." "I will bind my wounds and then, away again." "But see! Another danger! The fearful sand storm of the desert is approaching." "My trust is in Allah, I cannot fail! I will deliver the message of Al Sultani, come what may!"

On the Way to the Shrine

"On our way rejoicing." It is a scene long to be remembered. A rich caravan bringing costly jewels and much treasure for the Temple. The day is bright, the sky is clear. The candidates in token of humility and obedience, are loaded with chains and treated as captives. But all are joyous, and with mirth and music the long day soon passes. They are now in sight of the oasis of the Temple. "But hark! the muezzin sounds!" "Let us pray to Allah, the giver of all things, the only living God!" "Allah il Allah!" "Allah il Allah!" "The sun sets. The caravan has arrived."



The Temple in the Desert

Impressive! Solemn! Strange! No levity mars the mystic rites. The gorgeous costumes, countless lights, the solemnity of the occasion, cannot fail to make a lasting impression upon the mind of the beholder. No strange intruder mars the perfect pleasures of the elect. "Strike the chains from the captives, they are now of noble birth."

"Stir thy lethargy, The Arab's path begins: Arouse ye! Go forth! And expiate thy sins."

"Now let us again offer a prayer to Allah, the God of Moslem, Jew and Christian, the God of all!" "Allah il Allah!" "Allah il Allah!"

HOT SANDS

(MEANING CAMEL'S MILK)

MEANING JOY

HUMILITY TEST

MEANING SALT

PRINCE IAMIT — HIS COUNTLESS RICHES — MEANING MANY COWS

MEANING STILL MORE — HIS DARK EYED HOURI — MEANING CHEAP SPORTS

ICE CUTTING ON THE NILE — ICE CROP VERY POOR

BACK TO THE TALL GRASS — SHRINER. MERCHANT — SAME THING — START SECRET ORDER WITH SPOILS — IAMIT AGAIN

MEANING GREEN ENVY — FAKE SHRINERS — IAMIT TRIES TO GET IN — NOTHING DOING

MORE INDUCEMENTS — STILL NOTHING DOING — MORE INFLUENCE

STILL MORE YET — AND MANY COWS — AT LAST!! — INVITATION TO INITIATION

CAMELS MILK

THE SHOW BEGINS — HOT SANDS — STILL HOTTER — HUMILITY TEST

FINAL TEST — STABILITY — PASSED VERY SUCCESSFULLY

GLOOM

BUT NURSE GIVES POISON BY MISTAKE — NICE SARCOPHAGUS — SORROWFUL MOURNERS

THE ORDER BECOMES PROSPEROUS — MUTINY — SAVE ME FROM THE FAKIRS — HA! HA! A CLUE — SHRINER SLEUTH AFTER LOST BROTHER

BUNCH OF REAL SHRINERS — FAKE SHRINERS — JUSTICE IS DONE

REFUSE — WASTE — GARBAGE — SWILL — PUBLIC DUMP

CAMELS MILK

MEANING CAMEL JOY

MEANING SOLID IVORY RAISED PATTERN WITH "PASTE" JEWELS

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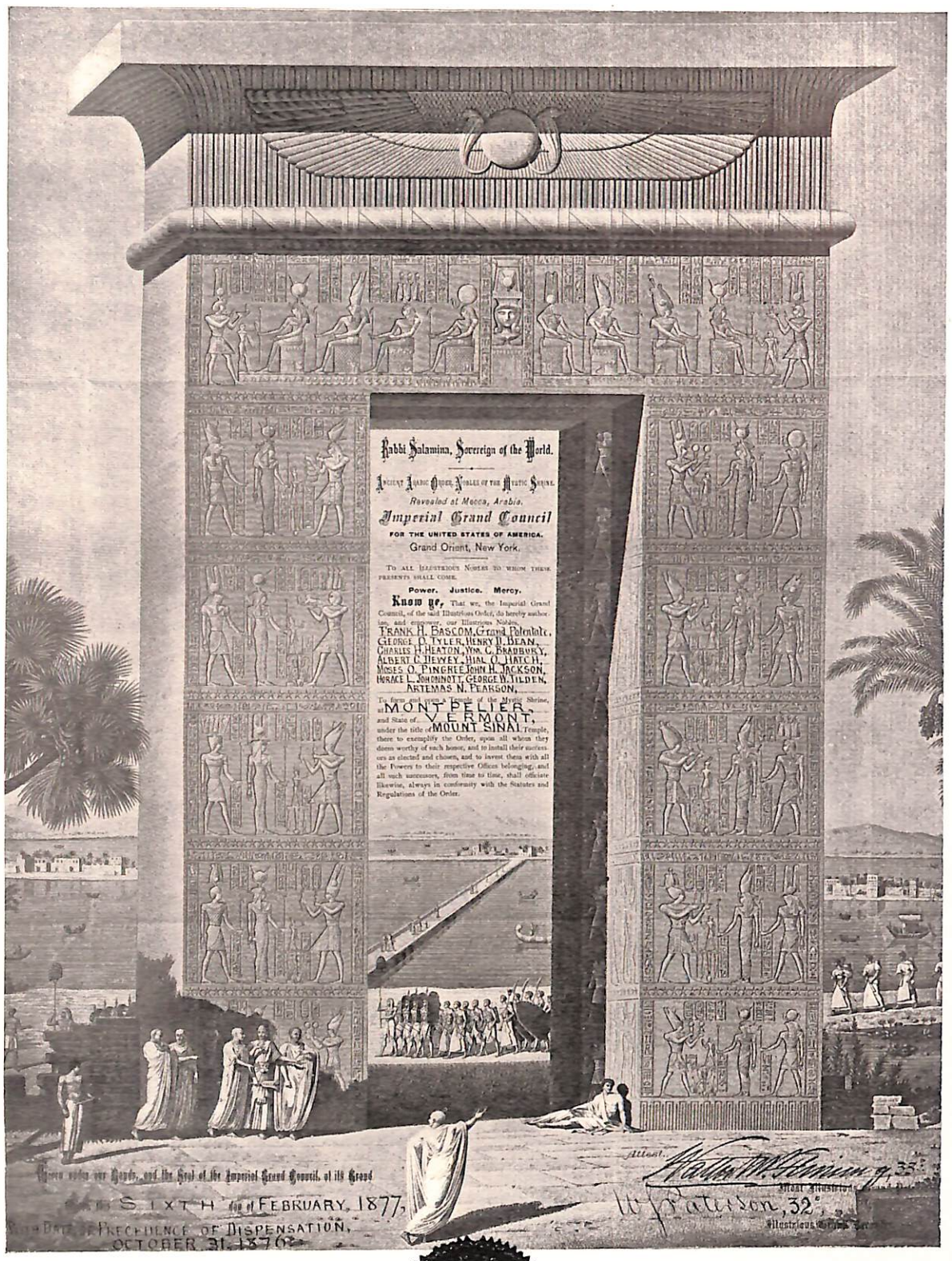
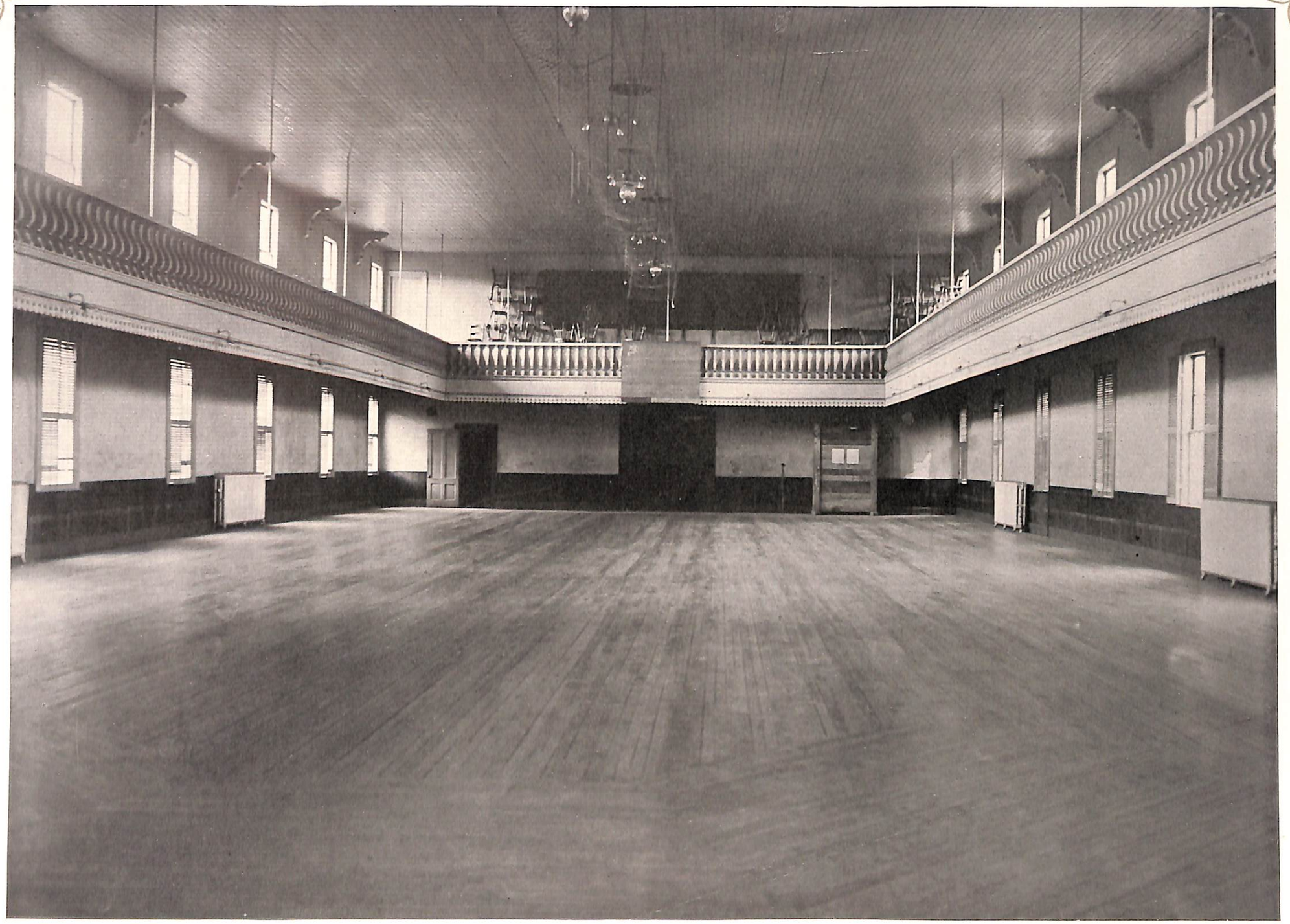
MONTPELIER VT.


Rabbi Salamina, Sovereign of the World.
Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.
Revealed at Mecca, Arabia.
Imperial Grand Council
FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
Grand Orient, New York.
To all Illustrious Nobles to whom these presents shall come.
Power. Justice. Mercy.
Know ye, That we, the Imperial Grand Council, of the said Illustrious Order, do hereby authorize, and empower, our Illustrious Nobles,
FRANK H. BASCOM, Grand Potentate,
GEORGE O. TYLER, HENRY D. BEAN,
CHARLES H. HEATON, WM. C. BRADBURY,
ALBERT C. DEWEY, HIAL O. HATCH,
MOSES O. PINGREE, JOHN H. JACKSON,
HORACE L. JOHONNOTT, GEORGE W. TILDEN,
ARTEMAS N. PEARSON,
To form and open a Temple of the Mystic Shrine, at MONT PELIER, and State of VERMONT, under the title of MOUNT SINAI Temple, there to exemplify the Order, upon all whom they deem worthy of such honor, and to install their successors as elected and chosen, and to invest them with all the Powers to their respective Offices belonging, and all such successors, from time to time, shall officiate likewise, always in conformity with the Statutes and Regulations of the Order.
Given under our Hands, and the Seal of the Imperial Grand Council, at its Grand
SIXTH day of FEBRUARY, 1877,
PRECEDENCE OF DISPENSATION,
OCTOBER 31, 1876.
Attest.
W. Paterson, 32°,

MOUNT SINAI TEMPLE, EXTERIOR



MOUNT SINAI TEMPLE, INTERIOR

DIVAN FOR 1889

E. R. Morse Chas. A. Barnard Jas. E. Curran Wm. A. Briggs Chas. H. Heaton Geo. W. Wing Henry Lowe Arch Batchelder
Evan L. White Daniel S. Wheatley George M. Goss
James A. Erwin Edw. Wilkinson Edwin Morse

DIVAN FOR 1903

W. C. Washburn Stoddard Allen Russell C. Collins Bert L. Stebbins Geo. D. Whitney Nat Bond F. E. Steele
Ed. D. Thayer Albert W. Ferrin J. W. Jackson Thos. W. Fletcher C. H. Heaton Ed. Shaw
Harry Taplin C. S. Whittier D. S. Danforth C. W. Steele Geo. F. Flanders S. S. Ballard H. S. Root
Geo. H. Almon Collins Blakely Chas. Rockwood R. Bremo Gammell Lester H. Greene

History of Mount Sinai Temple

FOUR years after the introduction of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine into the Western Hemisphere, and one year before the formation of the Imperial Council, the Order was established in Vermont. Mount Sinai Temple stands third in the numerical order of temples and was the first established outside of New York State.

Much of the early history, like that of Mother Mecca, is enveloped in mystery, for during a long term of years but little was recorded beyond the annual election of officers. It is known that members were added to the rolls each year, and that in time ceremonial sessions were held, but for a long time the Order was only communicated to worthy members of the Scottish Rite Consistory and to Knights Templar. In truth, it was not until the eighties that Mount Sinai had a full-fledged and properly working divan, although at times before then efforts had been made to confer the Order as written in the ritual, but without the accessories of costumes and paraphernalia.

In those early days no one dreamed that the Order would soon begin to ascend the ladder of success and become a power in the land. The true beauties of the ritual, the real benefits of the Order, were unknown. As a matter of fact, until Sam Briggs, of Cleveland, who later became Imperial Potentate, became interested in the work, even the members of Mecca Temple failed to appreciate the possibilities of the Ancient Arabic Order.

In writing the history of the Order in Vermont, therefore, many difficulties have been encountered in trying to lift the veil that covers the past; and many of the early struggles, financial and otherwise, the overcoming of the prejudice which had been formed against the Order, and other difficulties that beset the Nobles, will never be recorded.

During the first four years of the history of the Order, Mecca Temple alone conferred the degree of Nobility. Its votaries were called, and not received by petition. If a worthy Knight Templar or a thirty-second degree Mason came to New York, he was given recognition of his Masonic honors by membership in the Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. In most cases the Order was communicated, and sometimes the ritual was read to the candidate. It was a sort of honorarium.

As time progressed, a number of Knights Templar and thirty-second and thirty-third degree Masons residing in Vermont received the Order in Mecca Temple, and these, meeting in Montpelier or Burlington, conceived the idea of forming a temple to be located in Vermont and open to all eligible Masons residing in the jurisdiction of the Vermont Consistory or the Grand Commandery. Quite naturally Montpelier was decided upon as the location of the temple.

The matter was discussed now and then at meetings of the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter, Grand Commandery, or at the Consistory, not in an official way, since there was no legitimate connection, but during recesses, by those who had heard of the Order or who had been inducted into its mysteries.

Oftentimes after one of these meetings a little knot of men would remain behind and discuss the possibility of having the Order established in Vermont, taking the ground that it would do much to promote the fellowship of Masons of the higher degrees and bring them closer together.

Among the leaders in this respect was the late Frank H. Bascomb, who was the founder of the Order. He was also its first Potentate. He devoted the greater part of his life from the formation of the temple to its upbuilding and general development. Others associated with him were Charles H. Heaton, Albert C. Dewey, and J. Henry Jackson. Nobles William C. Bradbury, Horace L. Johonnott, George C. Tyler, and John H. Jackson have devoted more than thirty-three years to the propagation of the high principles of the Nobility.

Great credit is due Charles H. Heaton. He was active in all the bodies of the York and Scottish Rites, holding prominent offices in each, and was regarded as the leader of Masonry in the Granite State. He may be regarded as the father of Mount Sinai Temple. He lives to-day, serving the Order with all his old-time enthusiasm, and is still active as its Recorder. His individual history is almost the history of Mount Sinai Temple.

As we have said, Mount Sinai received the third charter from the Imperial Grand Council, as it was first known, although formed before the Imperial Council was created. While the agitation began in 1875, the progress at the outset was slow, and beset with many difficulties. There were deep-seated prejudices to be overcome. "It will be the ruination of Masonry," said some of the active opponents of the idea. In time they were to acknowledge their mistake and to admit that instead of being an injury the Order had been a great benefit to Masonry, performing deeds which Masonry, bound by its ancient landmarks, could not attempt.

A. N. Camp — Walter F. Benson — G. A. Wilkins — Smith B. Waite

J. M. Kelly — A. J. Valleau, M.D. — Geo. L. Bates, M.D. — L. H. Lewis — C. L. Gates

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR OUTDOOR MEET AT MORRISVILLE

The charter granted to Mount Sinai Temple was not issued until the centennial year, when the first session of the Imperial Council was held in Masonic Temple in New York. The charter bears date of October 31, 1876. It reads as follows :

RABBI SALAMINA, SOVEREIGN OF THE WORLD

Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Revealed at Mecca, Arabia

IMPERIAL GRAND COUNCIL

For the United States of America

Grand Orient New York

To all Illustrious Nobles to whom these presents shall come

POWER JUSTICE MERCY

Know ye, that we, the Imperial Grand Council of the said Illustrious Order, do hereby authorize and empower our Illustrious Nobles

Frank H. Bascom, Grand Potentate.	Henry D. Bean.
George O. Tyler.	William C. Bradbury.
Charles H. Heaton.	Hial O. Hatch.
Albert C. Dewey.	John H. Jackson.
Moses O. Pingree.	George W. Tilden.
Horace L. Johonnott.	Artemas N. Pearson.

To form and open a Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Montpelier, and State of Vermont, under the title of Mount Sinai Temple, there to exemplify the Order upon all whom they deem worthy of such honor, and to install their successors as elected and chosen, and to invest them with all the Powers to their respective offices belonging, and all such successors, from time to time, shall officiate likewise, always in conformity with the Statutes and Regulations of the Order.

The charter was signed by Walter M. Fleming, 33°, as Imperial Grand Potentate, and attested by W. S. Paterson, as Imperial Grand Recorder. The document is an elaborate affair. The margin is devoted to Egyptian hieroglyphics and mottoes in Arabic, while there are representations of the Temple of Karnak and the great Nile bridge. Palms stretch forth from the base of the Pyramid, and the Silent Sphinx gazes stolidly upon the desert sands.

Although bearing date of 1876, the charter did not really become effective until February 6, 1877, when Mount Sinai Temple was regularly organized by the twelve men whose names appeared in the charter. The delay was due to several reasons, some of them forgotten and others not now necessary to be recorded, since all differences and prejudices have long since been wiped out and obstacles swept away.

When the charter members did meet they formed the first official divan as follows :

Frank H. Bascom, Grand Potentate.
Albert C. Dewey, Chief Rabban.
Jesse C. Paine, Assistant Rabban.
George O. Tyler, High Priest and Prophet.
J. Henry Jackson, Oriental Guide.
Artemas N. Pearson, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
George W. Tilden, First Ceremonial Master.
Horace L. Johonnott, Second Ceremonial Master.
Henry D. Bean, Marshal.
Hial O. Hatch, Captain of the Guard.
William C. Bradbury, Outer Guard.

It will be noticed that Noble Jesse C. Paine was the first Assistant Rabban and that Moses O. Pingree, one of the charter members, was not included in the first official divan. The records throw no light upon this subject. It is believed, however, that the Order was communicated to Noble Paine before the formation of the temple. At no time, according to the records, did Noble Pingree hold any office or participate in the work of the temple beyond being named as a charter member.

The twelve Nobles mentioned in the official divan were present at the first session after organization, which was held March 12, 1877. No record appears of the business transacted or the candidates received into the Order.

The original set of officers remained in charge for five years, and the sessions were held mostly, if not exclusively, in Masonic Hall. While the Order grew slowly, there was no attempt at ritualistic work, and the meetings were of a somewhat social nature. As members were admitted the order of Nobility was conferred upon them in abbreviated form.

In later years a few of the sessions were held in the City Hall, and afterwards in Armory Hall, on Main street, when the ceremonies became more elaborate and attempts were made at the complete rendition of the ritual.

Noble Frank H. Bascom remained as Potentate, or Grand Potentate, as the title was then known, until 1882. In 1883 George O. Tyler was elected Grand Potentate. Then for the first time new names appear in the official divan. These included Nobles George W. Wing, Chief Rabban; Marsh O. Perkins, Assistant Rabban; Frederick P. Fletcher, High Priest and Prophet; Charles F. Jones, Director; Justus W. F. Washburn, Oriental Guide; Albert A. Fletcher, First Ceremonial Master; the Rev. Howard F. Hill, Second Ceremonial Master; William A. Briggs, Marshal; the Rev. Frederick S. Fisher, Captain of the Guard, and Edward R. Blackwell, Outer Guard. Noble Frank H. Bascom at this time succeeded Artemas N. Pearson as Treasurer, and continued in this capacity until 1892, at which time Frank A. Dwinell was chosen Treasurer, serving until 1897, when Edward A. Davis was elected to that position.

Noble Tyler served two terms as Potentate, and George W. Wing was elected in 1885. He was succeeded by Justus W. F. Washburn, who served one term. In 1887, Noble Charles H. Heaton, who had served as Recorder since the formation of the temple, was chosen Potentate. The following year he was a representative to the Imperial Council, and then he resumed his position of Recorder, which he still holds.

William A. Briggs was Potentate for two terms, in 1888 and 1889, and in 1890 Collins Blakely was elected. He had not previously held any office in the temple, but his administration was so successful that he was three times re-elected, being finally succeeded in 1894 by Edwin O. Hibbard, who likewise served three terms.

Stephen R. Colby was elected Potentate in 1897 and re-elected the following year. He had been active in the Shrine for a number of years, having been elected High Priest in 1890, and rose by degrees to the dignity of Potentate. Jesse E. Thomson served two terms, in 1899 and 1900. He had been Assistant Rabban since 1897.

Thereafter, as a rule, Potentates were chosen by promotion in the divan, J. Henry Jackson serving in 1901, Olin W. Daley in 1902, Clarence W. Steele in 1903, Clarence F. Flanders in 1904, Clarence S. Whittier in 1905, Smith S. Ballard in 1906, Henry S. Root in 1907, George E. Randall in 1908, Lester E. Greene in 1909, and Isaac D. Bailey, who entered the divan as Outer Guard in 1903, is the Potentate for 1910.

PILGRIMAGE TO MORRISVILLE

Through all these years Mount Sinai Temple grew and prospered. As the strength and influence of the temple increased, and petitions became more numerous, it was necessary, in order better to accommodate the novices living at a distance, to make pilgrimages to other parts of the State.

The first caravan of this kind recorded was June 12, 1899, during the second term of William A. Briggs as Potentate. This Illustrious Noble, accompanied by his full divan and a large *entourage*, mounted their mystic camels and journeyed to Burlington, where they pitched their Arab camp. There twenty-five novices became as servants unto the elect and made the perilous journey over the hot desert sands. They were rewarded for their fidelity by being taken into the fold and given the Arab's blessing, meeting fearlessly the Moslem test. After they had taken the irrevocable vow they were told the great unwritten secrets of the Order.

Between that date and July 2, 1908, when a noted pilgrimage was made to Morrisville, where a class of fifty-seven tyros received the seal of the Order, the wanderings of the caravan have been many, and other States have been visited, not for ceremonial work, but to participate in the rejoicings of sister temples. Among the noted pilgrimages made by Mount Sinai's caravan for ceremonial sessions were those to Rutland, Brandon, Middlebury, Brattleboro, Rockingham, White River Junction, Lancaster, N. H., Claremont, N. H., Laconia, N. H., and Newport, Vt.

In time, as the temple grew in numbers, there came a desire for the establishment of another temple in the State, to be located at Rutland. Mount Sinai finally gave consent, a territorial agreement was entered into, and Cairo Temple was established at Rutland, July 9, 1903. Members of Mount Sinai residing in the territory assigned to Cairo Temple dimitted into it, and Mount Sinai lent a willing hand at the institution of the temple. Cairo prospered, as did Mount Sinai, and its membership was officially reported to the Imperial Council in Louisville, in June, 1909, to be 647 Nobles.

New Hampshire Nobles also wished the establishment of a temple there, and Bektash Temple was in due time founded at Concord, the date of its charter being January 25, 1905. Bektash reported 831 Nobles at the last session of the Imperial Council.

Jealously careful of its character and membership, and allowing for the restriction of territory by the division of the State with Cairo Temple, Mount Sinai Temple has continued its remarkable growth and steadily increased in wealth and influence. Its roster to-day shows a total of 1,172 Nobles, all possessed of the red card for 1910. In the thirty-three years of its history it has lost 197 Nobles who have ridden the Black Camel into the "Unseen Temple." It has received thirteen Nobles by affiliation. Since 1900 it has boasted an Arab Patrol under the leadership of Noble R. B. Gammell, whose work has been a feature of the ceremonial sessions. Noble Gammell retired as Captain of the Arab Patrol in December, 1909.

The Nobles of Mount Sinai Temple have never been selfish, and have always given a share of their attention to the ladies. Ladies' nights have been features of the temple for several years, and two in particular have gone down in the social history of Montpelier as among the most brilliant affairs ever given in the capital.

On the occasion of the ladies' nights the ceremonial sessions are usually held in the afternoon, and the ladies join the Nobles and the newly elected in the evening, when, with the Nobles all clad in full evening dress and the red fez of the Nobility, and the ladies in their smartest gowns, a visit is paid to a theater, where the entire lower floor is reserved for the occasion, and this is usually followed by a reception and supper.

The ladies' nights of Mount Sinai Temple are looked forward to with great interest. They have been features for ten years now, and grow in popularity each time.

Dues had been unknown in Mount Sinai Temple for many years, and this was probably the only temple in the United States where such a regulation obtained. It had long been felt, however, that the Nobles received at least two dollars' worth of enjoyment a year out of the ceremonials of the Shrine, and that it was not fair to the candidate to meet running expenses out of the fees. Besides, it was contended that there should be a start toward a home or mosque. Therefore, at the annual meeting, December 11, 1908, it was "moved and seconded that the sum of two dollars be assessed upon each member of Mount Sinai Temple for annual dues, payable in advance. This motion to take effect December 10, 1909." E. J. Foster, F. H. Childs, B. L. Stebbins, F. E. Blodah were the movers of the amendment.

This motion was read as above at the annual meeting held December 10, 1909, and was formally adopted as an amendment to the by-laws. One dollar of this sum will be devoted to a building fund and the remainder used for the current expenses of the Temple.

The annual election of officers resulted in the following:

OFFICIAL DIVAN FOR 1910

Isaac D. Bailey, Illustrious Potentate, Brattleboro.
Thomas W. Fletcher, Chief Rabban, Bridgeport.
Joseph W. Jackson, Assistant Rabban, Barre.
Collins Blakely, High Priest and Prophet, Montpelier.
George E. Emery, Oriental Guide, Woodsville, N. H.
Dean P. Town, Treasurer, Barre.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder, Montpelier.
Charles H. Gibbon, First Ceremonial Master, Bellows Falls.
Walter C. Washburn, Second Ceremonial Master, Montpelier.
Bert L. Stebbins, Marshal, Claremont, N. H.
Wilbur W. Wood, Captain of the Guard, Middlebury.
Edwin S. Meigs, Director, Burlington.
George I. Whitney, Assistant Director, Bellows Falls.
Dr. Elroy B. Whitaker, First Alchemist, Barre.
Fred C. Gibson, Second Alchemist, St. Johnsbury.
Russell C. Collins, Architect, East Montpelier.
Frank E. Blodah, Assistant Architect, North Montpelier.
Wilbur E. Elthrop, Outer Guard, Brattleboro,
William H. Herrick, Master of Wardrobe, Montpelier.
Dean W. Edson, Musical Director, Montpelier.
E. J. Foster, Assistant Musical Director, Waterbury Center.
John M. Allen, Medical Director, St. Johnsbury.
William J. Tindall, Assistant Medical Director, Montpelier.
George L. Almon, Electrician, Montpelier.
Irving M. Frost, Assistant Electrician, Montpelier.
Martin W. McGowan, Purveyor, Barre.
Frank K. Goss, Chief of Arab Patrol, Montpelier.

The following were chosen as representatives of Mount Sinai Temple at the session of the Imperial Council held in New Orleans, in April, 1910: Lester H. Greene, of Montpelier; Heber

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C. Cady, of Northfield; Fred W. Putnam, of Brattleboro, and Glenn Wilkins, of Morrisville.

An appropriation of $125 was voted for the purchase of a Past Potentate's jewel for Illustrious Noble Lester H. Greene, of Montpelier, whose successful year came to a close upon the installation of Noble Bailey.

The report of Recorder Heaton showed the membership to be 1,172 Nobles, a substantial membership indeed, representing the flower of Vermont citizenship. During the year twenty-two Nobles entered the "Unseen Temple," and eleven members were lost by dimit. One addition by affiliation was made.

After the business session of 1909 was over, the caravan was formed for the customary pilgrimage to Mecca. A class of nine weary sons of the desert had been in waiting in fear and dread, and they were made part of the caravan. They safely overcame all obstacles, and met the Moslem test without serious loss of blood, afterwards being permitted to take the irrevocable Arab's vow. When they took their seats among the nobility after the burning sands had been crossed, they were found to be Frank L. Burbank, of Montpelier; Edwin C. Barrett, of Montpelier; Dr. Jesse R. Grimes, of Montpelier; Dr. Leo. A. Newcomb, of Montpelier; G. Fred Osgood, of Northfield; John F. Brassor, of Brattleboro; Harold E. Whitney, of Brattleboro, and Lester E. Douglas, of Richmond. Noble James W. Cady, of Burlington, was elected to membership on dimit.

About three hundred Nobles were present at the session. There were visitors present from Cairo Temple, of Rutland; Aleppo Temple, of Boston, and from numerous other temples scattered over the United States.

THE BABY CAMEL, "MOUNT SINAI"

CHRISTENING OF MOUNT SINAI CAMEL

No history of Mount Sinai Temple would be complete without the story of the christening, with true Arabic rites, of the baby camel, Mount Sinai. The Barnum & Bailey Circus had arrived in town on Saturday, June 9, 1900. During the early hours of the morning a baby camel was born in the menagerie. Connected with the circus management were several Nobles attached to other temples, and following an established custom it was decided that the camel should be presented to the Temple of the Mystic Shrine on the oasis nearest its birthplace. Recorder Charles H. Heaton, Marshal S. S. Ballard, and Oriental Guide Lester H. Greene, of Mount Sinai Temple, were communicated with, and they at once formed a special committee to arrange for the christening and acceptance of the gift at the evening performance.

Word was passed around by means of the mystic Arabic telegraph, and there assembled at the pavilion in the early evening over a hundred of the Nobles and their ladies, the Nobles all wearing the regulation full evening dress and the essential red fez. Nobles L. H. Greene, E. S. Meigs, Dwight E. Mason, W. H. Herrick, D. S. Wheatley, and O. M. Jones headed the parade, which led the way to the circus grounds, where special seats had been provided with boxes for the leading members of the official divan. The scene was a brilliant one.

After the gorgeous entry of the parade and the completion of the first act on the programme, the ringmaster signaled to the crew in charge of the menagerie tent, and the mother camel was led forth. The baby camel was too much affected by the excitement incident to the occasion to walk and was gently carried in by some of the attendants.

Reaching the center of the ring opposite the box occupied by the official divan, the party halted, and announcement was made that the baby camel had been presented to Mount Sinai Temple, which had officially assembled for the acceptance of the gift and the christening of the baby.

The Illustrious Potentate *pro tem* S. S. Ballard arose and called upon the Nobles to say if they would accept the gift, and the call being repeated by Recorder Heaton and Oriental Guide Greene, the assembled Nobles arose, and with the mystic sign of the Order prescribed for such occasions, let forth the Arabic yell of acceptance, which aroused the elephant in the adjoining tent.

From some mysterious source a bottle of champagne was produced, and the Arabic orator pronounced the words of baptism as glibly as though he were reading the Koran. The neck of the bottle was knocked off and the orator said, in Arabic: "In the name of Allah (whose name be praised !) I christen thee Mount Sinai."

Again the mystic sign was given, again rose the Arab cheers, the sheiks made obeisance, the High Priest and Prophet looked to the east, every Noble made a deep salaam, and the baby camel said "Ba-e-ah-ba-a-a," which being interpreted means, "I am yours till death."

Again obeisance was made, again the cheers rent the air, and from still more mysterious sources further bottles of champagne were produced and spilled internally in honor of the occasion.

It was decided that, owing to the extreme youth of Mount Sinai, she should remain in the custody and keeping of her mother until she had attained the dignity of her new role, at which time she was to be delivered to Mount Sinai Temple, and which in due time followed.

NOBLE CHARLES H. HEATON, PILLAR OF THE TEMPLE

One cannot write the history of Mount Sinai Temple without recording therein the story in brief of its Recorder. He has served in that capacity from its inception, save the year 1888, when he was elected Potentate.

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Illustrious Noble Charles H. Heaton has been honored in every branch of Masonry and has given the best years of his life to the cause. His uniform good fellowship, his wide and open-hearted charity, and his unfailing zeal have contributed, more than any other one source, to the success of Mount Sinai Temple. He is a native of Montpelier, of Green Mountain ancestry, and was born November 2, 1844. Soon after reaching his majority he knocked at the door of Masonry and was brought to light in Columbia Lodge, Boston, Mass., May 2, 1867, and admitted to Aurora Lodge in Montpelier, February 15, 1886, which lodge he has served for many years as secretary. He was exalted in King Solomon Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, which he also served for a long time as secretary. He was admitted to the ninth arch in Montpelier Council No. 4, Royal and Select Masters, and is to-day the secretary of that body. He was dubbed and created a Knight in Mount Zion Commandery No. 9, Knights Templar, receiving also the orders of Rhodes, Palestine, and Malta, and still serves, as he has for many years, that body as its Recorder.

Noble Heaton has received all the degrees of Scottish Rite Masonry, including the thirty-third degree, and for many years has been at the head of the bodies of the Rite in the Valley of Montpelier. He is Past Lieutenant Commander of Vermont Consistory, 32°, Past Grand Sovereign of the Red Cross of Constantine and appended orders in Vermont. He is a charter member of all the Scottish Rite bodies in Montpelier, and has attended yearly every session of the Supreme Council of the Northern Masonic jurisdiction since he received the thirty-third and last degree in Boston in 1885.

Among other notable offices held by Noble Heaton, which attest his lifework in Masonry, is that of Grand Treasurer of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters for the United States, to which he was elected in Minneapolis in 1891, and to which office he declined an election at its last assembly, November 8, 1908. He was tendered a vote of thanks and a jewel.

He was a representative to the Imperial Council of the Order of the Mystic Shrine for two years, and was Chairman of the Location Committee at Chicago in 1889. In 1891 he received the appointment of Provincial Grand Mareschal of the Royal Order of Scotland, H. R. M., for the United States at the hands of Illustrious Brother Josiah H. Drummond, of Maine, the date of his commission being August 25. He is an honorary member of Medinah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Chicago, an honorary member of Islam Temple, San Francisco, and a member of the Masonic Veterans' Association of Vermont. He is a charter member of Rob. Morris Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, at Montpelier.

Noble Heaton served the Knights Templar not only in the local Commandery, but also in the Grand Commandery. He went out of the Grand Commandery in June, 1896, as Eminent Grand Generalissimo, declining to become Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander because of the pressure of his Masonic duties at home. He is the representative of the Grand Commandery of Iowa near the Grand Commandery of Vermont.

It is given to few men to have such a long and honorable record in Masonry, and the name of Noble Heaton is revered not only throughout the State of Vermont, but his fame extends into many other jurisdictions.

SPORTS AT MORRISVILLE

Official Divan From 1876 to 1882 Inclusive

Frank E. Bascom, Grand Potentate.
Albert C. Dewey, Chief Rabban.
Jesse C. Paine, Assistant Rabban.
George O. Tyler, High Priest.
J. Henry Jackson, Oriental Guide.
Artemas N. Pearson, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
George W. Tilden, First Ceremonial Master.
Horace L. Johonnott, Second Ceremonial Master.
Henry D. Bean, Marshal.
Hial Hatch, Captain of Guard.
William C. Bradbury, Outer Guard.

Official Divan For 1883

George O. Tyler, Grand Potentate.
George W. Wing, Chief Rabban.
Marsh O. Perkins, Assistant Rabban.
Frederick F. Fletcher, High Priest.
Charles J. Jones, Director.
Justus W. F. Washburn, Oriental Guide.
Frank H. Bascom, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
Albert A. Fletcher, First Ceremonial Master.
The Rev. Howard F. Hill, Second Ceremonial Master.
William A. Briggs, Marshal.
The Rev. Frederick S. Fisher, Captain of Guard.
Edward R. Blackwell, Outer Guard.

Official Divan For 1884

George O. Tyler, Grand Potentate.
George W. Wing, Chief Rabban.
Marsh O. Perkins, Assistant Rabban.
Frederick F. Fletcher, High Priest.
Justus W. F. Washburn, Oriental Guide.
Frank H. Bascom, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
Albert A. Fletcher, First Ceremonial Master.
The Rev. Howard F. Hill, Second Ceremonial Master.
William A. Briggs, Marshal.
The Rev. Frederick S. Fisher, Captain of Guard.
Edward R. Blackwell, Outer Guard.
Charles J. Jones, Director.

Official Divan For 1885

George W. Wing, Grand Potentate.
Marsh O. Perkins, Chief Rabban.
Frederick F. Fletcher, Assistant Rabban.
Justus W. F. Washburn, High Priest.
The Rev. Howard F. Hill, Oriental Guide.
Frank H. Bascom, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
William A. Briggs, First Ceremonial Master.
The Rev. Frederick S. Fisher, Second Ceremonial Master.
George W. Tilden, Marshal.
George L. Lane, Captain of Guard.
James A. Erwin, Outer Guard.
Charles J. Jones, Director.

Official Divan For 1886

Justus W. F. Washburn, Grand Potentate.
The Rev. Howard F. Hill, Chief Rabban.
William A. Briggs, Assistant Rabban.
The Rev. Frederick S. Fisher, High Priest.
George L. Lane, Oriental Guide.
Frank H. Bascom, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
Henry Lowe, First Ceremonial Master.
Marsh O. Perkins, Second Ceremonial Master.
George W. Tilden, Marshal.
Edwin R. Morse, Captain of Guard.
James A. Erwin, Outer Guard.
Charles J. Jones, Director.

Official Divan For 1887

Charles H. Heaton, Grand Potentate.
The Rev. Howard F. Hill, Chief Rabban.
William A. Briggs, Assistant Rabban.
The Rev. Frederick S. Fisher, High Priest.
George L. Lane, Oriental Guide.
Frank H. Bascom, Treasurer.
Henry Lowe, Recorder.
Albro F. Nichols, First Ceremonial Master.
Ira G. Bascom, Second Ceremonial Master.
J. Henry Jackson, Marshal.
James T. Sabin, Captain of Guard.
James A. Erwin, Outer Guard.
James E. Curran, Director.

Official Divan For 1888

William A. Briggs, Potentate.
Frederick S. Fisher, Chief Rabban.
George L. Lane, Assistant Rabban.
Arlando N. Logan, High Priest.
Albro F. Nichols, Oriental Guide.
Frank H. Bascom, Treasurer.
William H. Herrick, Recorder.
J. Henry Jackson, First Ceremonial Master.
James E. Curran, Second Ceremonial Master.
James T. Sabin, Marshal.
Norman W. Frink, Oriental Guide.
James A. Erwin, Outer Guard.
William F. Lewis, Director.

Official Divan For 1889

William A. Briggs, Potentate.
George L. Lane, Chief Rabban.
James E. Curran, Assistant Rabban.
Collins Blakely, High Priest.
Norman W. Frink, Oriental Guide.
Frank H. Bascom, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
Charles A. Barnard, First Ceremonial Master.
James T. Sabin, Second Ceremonial Master.
James A. Erwin, Director.
Arch Batchelder, Marshal.
Charles A. Fuller, Captain of Guard.
Edwin R. Morse, Outer Guard.

SPORTS AT MORRISVILLE

Official Divan For 1890

COLLINS BLAKELY, Potentate.
GEORGE L. LANE, Chief Rabban.
JAMES E. CURRAN, Assistant Rabban.
STEPHEN R. COLBY, High Priest.
CHARLES A. BARNARD, Oriental Guide.
FRANK H. BASCOM, Treasurer.
CHARLES H. HEATON, Recorder.
GEORGE M. GOSS, First Ceremonial Master.
FRANK A. DWINELL, Second Ceremonial Master.
WILLIAM H. HERRICK, Director.
ARCH BATCHELDER, Marshal.
CHARLES A. FULLER, Captain of Guard.
RUSSELL C. COLLINS, Outer Guard.

Official Divan For 1891

COLLINS BLAKELY, Potentate.
JAMES E. CURRAN, Chief Rabban.
EDWIN O. HIBBARD, Assistant Rabban.
STEPHEN R. COLBY, High Priest.
CHARLES A. BARNARD, Oriental Guide.
FRANK A. DWINELL, Treasurer.
CHARLES H. HEATON, Recorder.
GEORGE M. GOSS, First Ceremonial Master.
WILLIAM H. HERRICK, Second Ceremonial Master.
ARCH BATCHELDER, Marshal.
CHARLES H. FULLER, Captain of Guard.
RUSSELL C. COLLINS, Outer Guard.
WILLIAM A. BRIGGS, Director.

Official Divan For 1892

COLLINS BLAKELY, Potentate.
JAMES E. CURRAN, Chief Rabban.
EDWIN O. HIBBARD, Assistant Rabban.
STEPHEN R. COLBY, High Priest.
CHARLES A. BARNARD, Oriental Guide.
FRANK A. DWINELL, Treasurer.
CHARLES H. HEATON, Recorder.
GEORGE M. GOSS, First Ceremonial Master.
WILLIAM H. HERRICK, Second Ceremonial Master.
ARCH BATCHELDER, Marshal.
DANIEL S. WHEATLEY, Captain of Guard.
RUSSELL C. COLLINS, Outer Guard.
CHARLES N. FULLER, Director.

Official Divan For 1893

COLLINS BLAKELY, Potentate.
JAMES E. CURRAN, Chief Rabban.
EDWIN O. HIBBARD, Assistant Rabban.
STEPHEN R. COLBY, High Priest.
GEORGE D. WHEELER, Oriental Guide.
FRANK A. DWINELL, Treasurer.
CHARLES H. HEATON, Recorder.
GEORGE M. GOSS, First Ceremonial Master.
WILLIAM H. HERRICK, Second Ceremonial Master.
ARCH BATCHELDER, Marshal.
DANIEL S. WHEATLEY, Captain of Guard.
RUSSELL C. COLLINS, Outer Guard.
CHARLES N. FULLER, Director.

Official Divan For 1894

EDWIN O. HIBBARD, Potentate.
CHARLES R. ALLEN, Chief Rabban.
STEPHEN R. COLBY, Assistant Rabban.
GEORGE W. LOWREY, High Priest.
GEORGE D. WHEELER, Oriental Guide.
FRANK A. DWINELL, Treasurer.
CHARLES H. HEATON, Recorder.
FRED L. EATON, First Ceremonial Master.
JAMES M. KEENAN, Second Ceremonial Master.
P. FLETCHER CHAPMAN, Marshal.
DANIEL S. WHEATLEY, Captain of Guard.
RUSSELL C. COLLINS, Outer Guard.
CHARLES H. FULLER, Director.

Official Divan For 1895

EDWIN O. HIBBARD, Potentate.
CHARLES R. ALLEN, Chief Rabban.
STEPHEN R. COLBY, Assistant Rabban.
GEORGE W. LOWREY, High Priest.
GEORGE D. WHEELER, Oriental Guide.
FRANK A. DWINELL, Treasurer.
CHARLES H. HEATON, Recorder.
JAMES M. KEENAN, First Ceremonial Master.
L. BART CROSS, Second Ceremonial Master.
P. FLETCHER CHAPMAN, Marshal.
DANIEL S. WHEATLEY, Captain of Guard.
ADELBERT C. BLANCHARD, Outer Guard.
CHARLES H. FULLER, Director.

Official Divan For 1896

EDWIN O. HIBBARD, Potentate.
STEPHEN R. COLBY, Chief Rabban.
GEORGE M. LOWREY, Assistant Rabban.
GEORGE D. WHEELER, High Priest.
JOHN T. AMEY, Oriental Guide.
FRANK A. DWINELL, Treasurer.
CHARLES H. HEATON, Recorder.
LUCIUS WEBB, First Ceremonial Master.
ARTHUR L. WEEKS, Second Ceremonial Master.
P. FLETCHER CHAPMAN, Marshal.
DANIEL S. WHEATLEY, Captain of Guard.
EDWIN R. MORSE, Outer Guard.
GEORGE F. FLANDERS, Director.

Official Divan For 1897

STEPHEN R. COLBY, Potentate.
JESSE E. THOMSON, Chief Rabban.
GEORGE D. WHEELER, Assistant Rabban.
COLLINS BLAKELY, High Priest.
OLIN W. DALEY, Oriental Guide.
EDWARD A. DAVIS, Treasurer.
CHARLES H. HEATON, Recorder.
CHARLES H. HOLBROOK, First Ceremonial Master.
JAMES M. KEENAN, Second Ceremonial Master.
ELIHU B. TAFT, Marshal.
DANIEL S. WHEATLEY, Captain of Guard.
EDWIN R. MORSE, Outer Guard.
GEORGE F. FLANDERS, Director.

Official Divan For 1898

Stephen R. Colby, Potentate.
Jesse E. Thomson, Chief Rabban.
J. Henry Jackson, Assistant Rabban.
Collins Blakely, High Priest.
James M. Keenan, Oriental Guide.
Edward A. Davis, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
Clarence S. Whittier, First Ceremonial Master.
Clarence W. Steele, Second Ceremonial Master.
George W. Marble, Marshal.
Daniel S. Wheatley, Captain of Guard.
Edwin R. Morse, Outer Guard.
George F. Flanders, Director.

Official Divan For 1899

Jesse E. Thomson, Potentate.
J. Henry Jackson, Chief Rabban.
Olin W. Daley, Assistant Rabban.
Collins Blakely, High Priest.
Clarence S. Whittier, Oriental Guide.
Edward A. Davis, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
Clarence W. Steele, First Ceremonial Master.
Daniel S. Danforth, Second Ceremonial Master.
Smith S. Ballard, Marshal.
Daniel S. Wheatley, Captain of Guard.
Edwin R. Morse, Outer Guard.
George F. Flanders, Director.

Official Divan For 1900

Jesse E. Thomson, Potentate.
J. Henry Jackson, Chief Rabban.
Olin W. Daley, Assistant Rabban.
Collins Blakely, High Priest.
Clarence S. Whittier, Oriental Guide.
Charles R. Allen, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
Clarence W. Steele, First Ceremonial Master.
Daniel S. Danforth, Second Ceremonial Master.
Smith S. Ballard, Marshal.
Lester H. Greene, Captain of Guard.
E. W. Shaw, Outer Guard.
George F. Flanders, Director.

Official Divan For 1901

J. Henry Jackson, Potentate.
Olin W. Daley, Chief Rabban.
Clarence W. Steele, Assistant Rabban.
Collins Blakely, High Priest.
Clarence S. Whittier, Oriental Guide.
Charles R. Allen, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
Daniel S. Danforth, First Ceremonal Master.
Smith S. Ballard, Second Ceremonial Master.
Thomas W. Fletcher, Marshal.
Lester H. Greene, Captain of Guard.
E. W. Shaw, Outer Guard.
George F. Flanders, Director.

Official Divan For 1902

Olin W. Daley, Potentate.
Clarence W. Steele, Chief Rabbin.
Daniel S. Danforth, Assistant Rabban.
Collins Blakely, High Priest.
Clarence S. Whittier, Oriental Guide.
Albert W. Ferrin, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
George F. Flanders, First Ceremonial Master.
Smith S. Ballard, Second Ceremonial Master.
Henry S. Root, Marshal.
Charles F. Rockwood, Captain of Guard.
Edward E. Robinson, Outer Guard.
George E. Randall, Director.

Official Divan For 1903

Clarence W. Steele, Potentate.
Daniel S. Danforth, Chief Rabban.
George F. Flanders, Assistant Rabban.
Collins Blakely, High Priest.
Clarence S. Whittier, Oriental Guide.
Albert W. Ferrin, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
Smith S. Ballard, First Ceremonial Master.
Henry S. Root, Second Ceremonial Master.
Lester H. Greene, Marshal.
Joseph W. Bullock, Captain of Guard.
Isaac D. Bailey, Outer Guard.
George E. Randall, Director.

Official Divan For 1904

George F. Flanders, Potentate.
Clarence S. Whittier, Chief Rabban.
Smith S. Ballard, Assistant Rabban.
Collins Blakely, High Priest.
Henry S. Root, Oriental Guide.
Albert W. Ferrin, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
George E. Randall, First Ceremonial Master.
Lester H. Greene, Second Ceremonial Master.
Harry B. Taplin, Marshal.
Isaac D. Bailey, Captain of Guard.
Romain A. Spafford, Outer Guard.
Charles R. Jamason, Director.

Official Divan For 1905

Clarence S. Whittier, Potentate.
Smith S. Ballard, Chief Rabban.
Henry S. Root, Assistant Rabban.
Collins Blakely, High Priest.
George E. Randall, Oriental Guide.
Albert W. Ferrin, Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder.
Lester H. Greene, First Ceremonial Master.
Isaac D. Bailey, Second Ceremonial Master.
Thomas W. Fletcher, Marshal.
Charles R. Jamason, Captain of Guard.
Fred C. Armstrong, Outer Guard.
Joseph W. Jackson, Director.

Official Divan For 1906

SMITH S. BALLARD, Potentate.
HENRY S. ROOT, Chief Rabban.
GEORGE E. RANDALL, Assistant Rabban.
COLLINS BLAKELY, High Priest.
LESTER H. GREENE, Oriental Guide.
DEAN P. TOWN, Treasurer.
CHARLES H. HEATON, Recorder.
ISAAC D. BAILEY, First Ceremonial Master.
THOMAS W. FLETCHER, Second Ceremonial Master.
CHARLES R. JAMASON, Marshal.
JOSEPH W. JACKSON, Captain of Guard.
EDWARD G. BALDWIN, Outer Guard.
CHARLES H. GIBSON, Director.

Official Divan For 1907

HENRY S. ROOT, Potentate.
GEORGE E. RANDALL, Chief Rabban.
LESTER H. GREENE, Assistant Rabban.
COLLINS BLAKELY, High Priest.
ISAAC D. BAILEY, Oriental Guide.
DEAN P. TOWN, Treasurer.
CHARLES H. HEATON, Recorder.
THOMAS W. FLETCHER, First Ceremonial Master.
CHARLES R. JAMASON, Second Ceremonial Master.
JOSEPH W. JACKSON, Marshal.
CHARLES H. GIBSON, Captain of Guard.
BERT L. STEBBINS, Outer Guard.
GEORGE E. EMERY, Director.

Official Divan For 1908

GEORGE E. RANDALL, Potentate.
LESTER H. GREENE, Chief Rabban.
ISAAC D. BAILEY, Assistant Rabban.
COLLINS BLAKELY, High Priest.
THOMAS W. FLETCHER, Oriental Guide.
DEAN P. TOWN, Treasurer.
CHARLES H. HEATON, Recorder.
CHARLES R. JAMASON, First Ceremonial Master.
JOSEPH W. JACKSON, Second Ceremonial Master.
GEORGE E. EMERY, Marshal.
CHARLES H. GIBSON, Captain of Guard.
GEORGE I. WHITNEY, Outer Guard.
WALTER C. WASHBURN, Director.

Official Divan For 1909

LESTER H. GREENE, Potentate.
ISAAC D. BAILEY, Chief Rabban.
THOMAS W. FLETCHER, Assistant Rabban.
COLLINS BLAKELY, High Priest and Prophet.
JOSEPH W. JACKSON, Oriental Guide.
DEAN P. TOWN, Treasurer.
CHARLES H. HEATON, Recorder.
H. W. BARROWS, Representative to Imperial Council.
E. J. FOSTER, Representative to Imperial Council.
FRED L. DAVIS, Representative to Imperial Council.
JOHN H. SENTER, Representative to Imperial Council.
GEORGE E. EMERY, First Ceremonial Master.
CHARLES H. GIBSON, Second Ceremonial Master.
WALTER C. WASHBURN, Marshal.
BERT L. STEBBINS, Captain of Guard.
WILBUR W. WOOD, Outer Guard.
EDWIN S. MEIGS, Director.
FRED C. ARMSTRONG, Assistant Director.
HAMMON T. BALDWIN, First Alchemist.
RUSSELL C. COLLINS, Architect.
WILLIAM H. HERRICK, Master of Wardrobe.
FRED C. GILSON, Musical Director.
DEAN W. EDSON, Assistant Musical Director.
ELROY W. WHITAKER, Medical Director.
GEORGE H. ALMON, Electrician.
MARTIN J. MCGOWAN, Purveyor.
R. B. GAMMELL, Chief of Arab Patrol.
RICHARD J. FITZGERALD, Drill Master of Arab Patrol.

Official Divan For 1910

ISAAC D. BAILEY, Illustrious Potentate, Brattleboro.
THOMAS W. FLETCHER, Chief Rabban, Bridgeport.
JOSEPH W. JACKSON, Assistant Rabban, Barre.
COLLINS BLAKELY, High Priest and Prophet, Montpelier.
GEORGE E. EMERY, Oriental Guide, Woodsville, N. H.
DEAN P. TOWN, Treasurer, Barre.
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WALTER C. WASHBURN, Second Ceremonial Master, Montplier.
BERT L. STEBBINS, Marshal, Claremont, N. H.
WILBUR W. WOOD, Captain of Guard, Middlebury.
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GEORGE I. WHITNEY, Assistant Director, Bellows Falls.
DR. ELROY B. WHITAKER, First Alchemist, Barre.
FRED C. GILSON, Second Alchemist, St. Johnsbury.
RUSSELL C. COLLINS, Architect, East Montpelier.
FRANK E. BLODAH, Assistant Architect, North Montpelier.
WILBUR E. ELTHROP, Outer Guard, Brattleboro.
WILLIAM H. HERRICK, Master of Wardrobe, Montpelier.
DEAN W. EDSON, Musical Director, Montpelier.
E. J. FOSTER, Assistant Musical Director, Waterbury Center.
JOHN M. ALLEN, Medical Director, St. Johnsbury.
WILLIAM J. TINDALL, Assistant Medical Director, Montpelier.
GEORGE L. ALMON, Electrician, Montpelier.
IRVING M. FROST, Assistant Electrician, Montpelier.
MARTIN W. MCGOWAN, Purveyor, Barre.
FRANK K. GOSS, Chief of Arab Patrol, Montpelier.

List of Past Potentates

FRANK E. BASCOM, 1876 to 1882 inclusive.

GEORGE O. TYLER, 1883-84.
GEORGE W. WING, 1885.
JUSTUS W. F. WASHBURN, 1886.
CHARLES H. HEATON, 1887.
WILLIAM A. BRIGGS, 1888-89.
COLLINS BLAKELY, 1890-91-92-93.
EDWIN O. HIBBARD, 1894-95-96.
STEPHEN R. COLBY, 1897-98.
JESSE E. THOMSON, 1899-1900.
J. HENRY JACKSON, 1901.
OLIN W. DALEY, 1902.
CLARENCE W. STEELE, 1903.
GEORGE F. FLANDERS, 1904.
CLARENCE S. WHITTIER, 1905
SMITH S. BALLARD, 1906.
HENRY S. ROOT, 1907.
GEORGE E. RANDALL, 1908.
LESTER H. GREENE, 1909.

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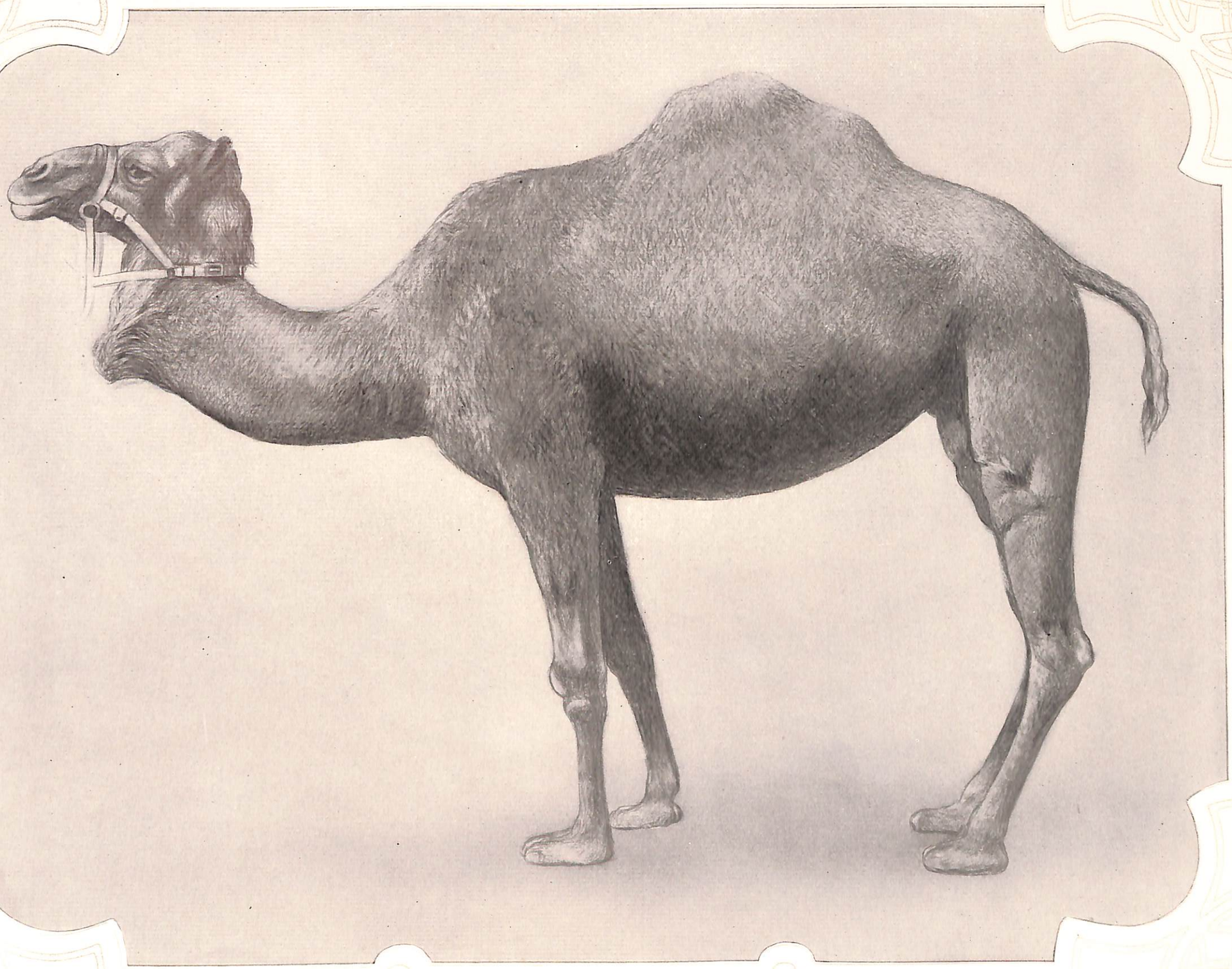

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Frank H Bascom

Charles H. Heaton,

J. Henry Jackson.

George Otis Tyler.

GEORGE O. TYLER

Of Burlington, Vt., a Past Potentate and one of the earliest members of Mt. Sinai Temple and is an emeritus member of the Imperial Council. He was born in Lowell, Mass., September 18, 1837, the son of Ignatius Tyler and Mary Lund. He was educated in the Lowell schools and Norwich University and married in Charlestown, Mass., Elizabeth H. Patten. For fifty years Noble Tyler has been a resident of Burlington. His wife, who is now in frail health, has lately been residing with his daughter in Somerville, Mass. Noble Tyler has devoted his life to Masonry, and naturally was one of those Masons who early saw the advantages of the order of the Mystic Shrine. He is a Past Master of Shawenegam Lodge No. 49, also of the late Milton Lodge No. 18, now consolidated with Shawenegam, of the Grand Lodge of the Province of Quebec; was the first Zed of Shawenegam Chapter No. 11, of the Grand Chapter of the Province of Quebec, Royal Arch Masons; Past Thrice Ill. Master of Burlington Council No. 5, Royal and Select Masters; Past Eminent Commander of Burlington Commandery No. 2, Knights Templar; Past Thrice Potent Grand Master of Haswell Lodge of Perfection; Past Most Wise Master of Delta Chapter Rose Croix; and Past Ill. Commander-in-chief of Vermont Consistory, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. He is a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, Past Grand H. of the Grand Chapter of Quebec, Past Treasurer of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters of Vermont, and Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of Vermont. He organized the Grand Imperial Council of the Red Cross of Constantine of Vermont in 1870, and was at the head of Star of Bethlehem conclave.

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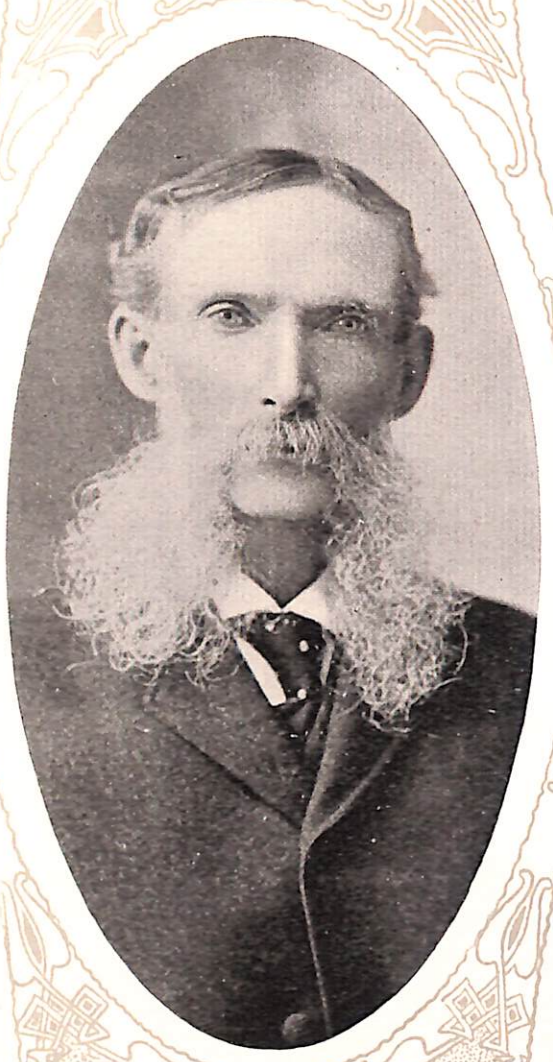

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GEORGE LESTER LANE, D. M., D. O.

One of the many sons of Vermont who have removed the scene of their activities to other States, but he still cherishes his many years spent in the State of his nativity. He retains his membership in all the Masonic bodies of Vermont in which he received the degrees, but dimitted from Ancient York Lodge, of Nashua, N. H., in which he was made a Mason, into Mt. Lebanon Lodge, of Boston. He is past high priest of King Solomon R. A. Chapter of Montpelier; a member of Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; past commander of Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., of Montpelier. He is a member of all the Scottish Rite bodies of Montpelier and of Vermont Consistory, 32°, Burlington, Vt., and is a past chief rabban of Mt. Sinai Temple, a past grand of Vermont Lodge of Odd Fellows and past chief patriarch of Thomas Wildey Encampment, of Montpelier. For many years he was a director of the Lane Manufacturing Company, of Montpelier, and in 1907 became president of this company, which was founded by his father, a widely known inventor. Although a business man and manufacturer, Noble Lane has a scientific mind, and after taking courses in the National School of Osteopathy and the College of Higher Sciences, he located in Boston, where he is engaged as a specialist, although still keeping up his business interests in Montpelier. Dr. Lane is married to Florence M. Pillsbury, of Lowell, Mass. He resides at 872 Huntington Avenue, Boston, where his favorite pursuit is the reading of scientific and occult literature. He is also a member of the Vermont Association of Boston.

FRED E. STEELE, M. S., M. D.

A practicing physician of Montpelier, Vt., was born in Northfield, Vt., May 28, 1859, son of Samuel Warren Cram Steele. After graduating from Norwich University he entered Hahnemann Medical College of Chicago, and was graduated from that institution in 1882. He immediately entered upon the practice of the medical profession in Gaysville, Vt., moving to Montpelier in 1903, where he has since lived and followed his profession. As a Republican, he was elected to the Vermont General Assembly in 1890, and to the State Senate in 1898. He was president of the Vermont Homeopathic Medical Society in 1890-92 and again in 1903-04, and appointed supervisor of the Insane State Board from 1902 to 1914. Dr. Steele belongs to White River Lodge No. 90, of Bethel, Vt.; Whitney R. A. Chapter No. 5; and Haswell Council, R. & S. M., of Randolph; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., of Montpelier; and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered June 11, 1890. He was married to Luna M. Brooks, and three children have been born to them: Fred E. Steele, Jr., who is also a physician in Waterbury, Vt., Edwin H., and Warren B. Steele. Noble Steele is a member of "The Club," and also the Apollo Club of Montpelier, and attends the Unitarian church.

FRANKLIN H. BASCOM

Founder of Mt. Sinai Temple, passed on to a higher life, November 17, 1890. He had been potentate of the temple and had attained all the Scottish Rite degrees in Masonry, including the 33°, having been crowned in the active list. He was born in Shoreham, Vt., April 1, 1847, attended the academy at Shoreham and graduated from Burlington College. Then he became a druggist at Montpelier, continuing in that business from 1872 to 1890. He was a delegate at large in 1884 to the Republican national convention in Chicago. His parents were Ira G. and Martha Haven Bascom, who were also natives of Shoreham. He was married to Virginia Gilson, the daughter of George and Ellen Woodbury Gilson, in Bethel, Vt., January 16, 1872. Their children were: Kittredge Haven, Martha Ellen, Kathryn and Grace. In religion he was an Episcopalian. He had been a great reader in life.

BYRON L. WILBUR

Of North Montpelier, Vt., was born February 23, 1858, in South Woodbury, Vt., of American parents. His father, Reuben Wilbur, was born in 1832, and his mother, Julia Town Wilbur, in 1834. Noble Wilbur attended the public schools of Calais, Vt., where he was married, in 1893, to Gertrude M. Allen, daughter of John Q. and Martha J. Allen of that town. Two children have been born to them, Doris E. and John A., both in Calais. For the past twenty-nine years he has been engaged in farming. Prior to 1885 he was a carpenter. He belongs to Wyoming Lodge, King Solomon R. A. Chapter, Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. In addition he is a member of Arcadia Lodge of Odd Fellows, located in Plainfield, Vt., Pleasant Valley Lodge of Rebekahs, the Grange, is a past dimitted member of a lodge of Knights of Pythias, and is in the New England Fat Men's Club. He is particularly fond of hunting and fishing and is noted as a crack shot in the regions of Vermont and Maine.

DANIEL SKINNER WHEATLEY

Past captain of the guard of Mt. Sinai Temple, is descended from a noble English family, and the coat of arms of the Wheatleys is used as his mark in the Royal Arch Chapter. Sir John Wheatley, in 1356, lived in Castle Bromwick, Leicestershire, England, and an unbroken chain has been traced back to the campaign of Edward Seymour, Duke of Somerset, in Scotland and France, in 1544, when Captain John Wheatley came to the front and obtained an estate in Somersetshire. In 1710, William Wheatley was knighted. His grandson, John Wheatley, came to America in 1732, at the age of fourteen, setled in New Haven, Conn., and married in 1742. He was a captain during the Colonial wars and was the first representative of Lebanon in the New Hampshire Legislature in 1765. He was the first and only representative of Lebanon in the Vermont Legislature in 1777. His four sons served in the war of the Revolution, and one of them, Major Nathan Wheatley, was the great-grandfather of Daniel S. Wheatley, who was born in East Brookfield, Vt., November 15, 1843, and graduated from Randolph High School in 1862. Two years later he entered the dry goods business, and in 1883 established his present store in Montpelier. For thirty years, from 1879 to 1908, he was secretary and treasurer of Bethany Sunday School, and from 1900 he has been a deacon of Bethany Church (Congregational). Masonry has honored Noble Wheatley in many ways. He is a member of Aurora Lodge No. 22; King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and a member of all the Scottish Rite bodies of Montpelier and Vermont Consistory, 32°, Burlington. He is a past high priest of the Chapter, past deputy master of the Council, and past commander of the Knights Templar in the York Rite bodies, and in the Scottish Rite is past thrice potent master of the Lodge of Perfection, and past sovereign prince of the Council of Princes of Jerusalem. He is past worthy patron of Rob Morris Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; financial secretary of Standard Lodge, N. E. O. P., from 1890 to 1908; and past dictator of Capitol Lodge, Knights of Honor. Of the latter lodge he has served for twenty-five years as treasurer. He resides at 110 Elm Street, Montpelier. His son, Lieut. Charles Edward Wheatley, U. S. A., now stationed at Fort Monroe, is also one of the Mystic Shrine, having received the order in Omar Temple, 1907, Charleston, S. C.

George Lester Lane

Frank H Bascom

J. E. Tyler

Byron L. Wilbur

D. S. Whatley

JUSTUS W. F. WASHBURN

Of Montpelier, Vt., was born in that city, March 17, 1844. He attended the public schools of Montpelier, and after fitting for college entered Norwich University, where he completed his education. In 1863, he enlisted in Company D, 24th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, and was honorably discharged in 1866. He is at present employed as accountant for the Lane Manufacturing Company, of Montpelier. He is a prominent Mason. In addition to being past potentate of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., he has filled all the principal offices in local Masonic bodies, being connected with Aurora Lodge, F. & A. M.; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mount Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple October 24, 1882. Noble Washburn is a member of the Apollo Club of Montpelier. He votes the Republican ticket.

WALTER C. WASHBURN

In the insurance business in Montpelier, Vt., was born in that city, November 22, 1870. He attended the Montpelier public schools, graduating from the high school there in 1890. Since 1898 he has been conducting an insurance agency in Montpelier. He holds the rank of second ceremonial master in Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered in 1902, and belongs to Aurora Lodge No. 22, King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7, Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M., and Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T. He is a charter member of Montpelier Lodge of Elks and also a member of the Apollo Club. His political sympathies are Republican. His home is at 124 Elm Street, Montpelier. His favorite pastime is fishing.

CHARLES H. HEATON

Came to be known many years ago as the soul of Mt. Sinai Temple. He was one of the charter members October 31, 1876, and was potentate in 1889. With the exception of two years, one of which he was potentate and the other a representative to the Imperial Council, he has served continuously as recorder of the temple. Born in Montpelier November 2, 1844, he was educated in the Washington County Grammar School, Kimball Union Academy, and Vermont Episcopal Institute. He knocked at the door of Masonry soon after reaching his majority, being made a Mason in Columbian Lodge, Boston, Mass., May 2, 1867, and dimitted into Aurora Lodge in Montpelier, February 15, 1886, which lodge he served for many years as secretary. He was exalted in King Solomon R. A. Chapter, which he also served for a long time as secretary. He was admitted to the Cryptic Rite in Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M., and is to-day the secretary of that body. He was Knighted in Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T., which body he still serves as recorder. Noble Heaton has attained all the degrees of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, including the thirty-third, which he received September 15, 1885, and for two years was at the head of the bodies of the rite in the Valley of Montpelier, and has ever since held the office of secretary. He is past lieutenant commander of Vermont Consistory, past grand sovereign of the Red Cross of Constantine and appendant orders in Vermont and is a charter member of the two Scottish Rite bodies in Montpelier. Among other notable offices held by Noble Heaton, which attest his life work in Masonry, is that of general grand treasurer of the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States. He was a representative to the Imperial Council of the Order of the Mystic Shrine for two years and was chairman of the Location Committee at Chicago in 1889. In 1891 he received the appointment of provincial grand mareschal of the Royal Order of Scotland, H. R. M., for the United States, at the hands of the late Illustrious Josiah H. Drummond, 33°, of Maine. Noble Heaton is an honorary member of Medinah Temple, Chicago, and of Islam Temple, San Francisco. He is a charter member of Rob Morris Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Montpelier. He served the Knights Templar not only in the local commandery, but also in the Grand Commandery. He went out of the Grand Commandery in June, 1896, as eminent grand generalissimo, declining to become eminent grand commander. He is the representative of the Grand Commandery of Iowa near the Grand Commandery of Vermont. Despite his busy Masonic life, he has found time to devote some of his energy to civic work. For many years he was an active Democrat, but changed his politics along with thousands of others at the advent of Bryan. He was a member of the Board of Selectmen of Montpelier for four years and has been a member of the Green Mountain Cemetery Commission. It is needless to add that he is revered by rich and poor, in and out of Masonry, throughout the Green Mountain State. His devotion to Heaton Hospital, given to the city by his honored father, is no less than to his Masonic duties and to his ties at home. His estimable wife has been president of the Ladies' Aid Association of Heaton Hospital since the society was founded in 1896. Both she and Noble Heaton are members of the Episcopal Church. Noble Heaton is a member of the Apollo Club and Country Club, and resides at 143 State Street, in the house in which he was born. His favorite pastime is driving.

WILLIAM H. HERRICK

For several years has been engaged in the hardware business and at present is a salesman in that line. He lives at 22 Vine Street, Montpelier, Vt., with his wife, who was Mildred V. Hoyt of Randolph, Vt. Noble Herrick was born in Middlesex, Vt., April 12, 1860, the son of N. King and Harriet J. Foster Herrick. He was educated in Montpelier Seminary and Eastman College, graduating in 1879. He belongs to Aurora Lodge, F. & A. M.; King Solomon R. A. Chapter, of which he is a past high priest; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., of which he was commander in 1906-07; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32° and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., having joined the latter in 1886 and been its recorder and director; is also representative to the Imperial Council, now holding in it the rank of master of the wardrobe. He is enrolled in Robert Morris Chapter, O. E. S., of which his wife is matron at present. He is a member of the Congregational Church, is a Republican, and is very fond of fishing. He is on the roll of the Apollo Club of Montpelier.

GEORGE H. ALMON

The electrician of Mt. Sinai Temple, and many of the effects employed during the ceremonial sessions were originated by him. He is an electrician by profession, and one of the owners of the Moody & Almon Electric Light and Power Company. Noble Almon was born January 21, 1866, at Northfield, Vt. He was educated in Montpelier and Boston, and made a special study of electricity. He has devoted himself to this line of work and as a result has established a plant, of which he is one of the owners, for the supply of electric light and power for manufacturing purposes. Brother Almon is a member of Aurora Lodge No. 22, F. & A. M.; of Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; of Naphtali Council, R. & S. M., and of Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T. Noble Almon is also a member of the Order of Elks, his card being in No. 924, of Montpelier. He is a member of the Unitarian Church. In politics he is a Republican.

Justus W. F. Washburn

Walter C. Washburn

Charles H. Heaton,

Wm H. Herrick

G. H. Almon

HUGH J. M. JONES

Of Montpelier, Vt., has been engaged in business as a granite manufacturer for the past twenty-five years, and is a member of the firm of Jones Bros., whose quarries are in Barre. He was born February 6, 1865, in Ebensburg, Cambria County, Penn., the son of Hugh and Elizabeth Evans Jones, both natives of Wales. His mother is living. He attended the public schools of Zanesville, Ohio, finishing at the high school there. In 1889 he was married to Della B. Brandom, and four children have been born to them: Robert B., Marjorie D., Hugh B., and George Louis, who died in infancy. Their home is at 80 East State Street, Montpelier. Noble Jones entered Mt. Sinai Temple in December, 1897, prior to which he had become affiliated with Granite Lodge, F. & A. M.; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection. He is chairman of the School Board and a trustee of the Wood Art Gallery. He is fond of fishing as a sport, and is a member of the Apollo and Country clubs of Montpelier. He is also president of the Wells Lamson Quarry Company and the Barry White Granite Company, both of Barre, Vt. In politics he is a Republican, and attends the Congregational Church.

CHARLES M. BENNETT

Connected with the National Life Insurance Company of Montpelier, Vt. since 1890, was born in Montpelier, March 5, 1861, and always lived there; his home now being at 23 Barre Street. He was the son of Daniel K. and Caroline L. Mann Bennett, both native Americans. His father was born July 22, 1824, his mother, born June 22, 1832, still survives. He attended the public schools of Montpelier, and the Vermont Methodist Seminary. He studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1881. He was for three years a town grand juror, and from 1884 to 1888 filled the position of Assistant State Librarian at the State House during the sessions of the legislature. He joined Aurora Lodge, August 9, 1904, and then became identified with King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M., and Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T. He was then received into Mt. Sinai Temple. Some of the offices he is now filling, and has filled, include warden in Mt. Zion Commandery, captain of the host in his chapter, and is now senior warden and acting master in Aurora Lodge. He is a member of the Apollo Club, is fond of fishing and camping as forms of recreation, and shows a great liking for mechanical work of different kinds.

SMITH S. BALLARD

General agent of the National Life Insurance Company, of Montpelier, Vt., which position he has held since September, 1893; was born April 3, 1861, the son of Henry T. and Juda H. Brooks Ballard, both of American birth. His father was born November 7, 1830, and his mother September 12, 1839. After graduating from St. Albans High School he entered the employ of the Central Vermont Railroad at St. Albans in 1880. He was transferred to Montpelier as assistant agent in 1884, and in 1889 was appointed agent for the Montpelier & Wells River Railroad at Barre, being the first agent for the new road, and filled that position for four years, retiring from the service to enter the insurance business. For the past twenty years he has also been the representative of various Atlantic and coastwise steamship lines. He is a past potentate of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he joined January 22, 1897, and is also a member of Granite Lodge, F. & A. M. No. 35, Granite R. A. Chapter of Barre, Montpelier Council, R. & S. M., and St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11, K. T.; deputy master of Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection, 14°; sovereign prince of Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J., 16°, is of Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°, and Vermont Consistory, S. P. R. S., 32°. He also belongs to Vincitia Lodge, K. P.; Sudah Temple, Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorassan of Barre; Montpelier Lodge No. 924, B. P. O. E.; Lodge 2, I. O. O. F., of Montpelier, and is connected with the Apollo Club of Montpelier and the Algonquin Club of Burlington, as well as secretary and treasurer of the Automobile Club of Vermont. He attends the Episcopal Church and is a Republican in politics. He lives at 20 Bailey Avenue, Montpelier.

F. HOWARD CHILDS

Born in Woonsocket, R. I., April 12, 1878. He attended the public schools of that city and Newton, Mass., afterwards entering upon a commercial career. From 1898 to 1904 he was connected with the Joseph Banigan Rubber Company, of Providence. He is now the representative in northern New England of The Patterson-Sargent Company. His father, Frank A. Childs, resides in Newton, Mass. Noble Childs belongs to Aurora Lodge, F. & A. M.; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. His favorite sports are hunting, fishing, and attending Shrine meetings. He holds membership in the Derryfield Club of Manchester, N. H. In politics he is a Republican.

GEORGE L. PRAY

A merchant of North Montpelier, Vt., having established the business in 1893. He had previously followed the trade of carpenter. He was born in Calais, Vt., December 21, 1862, and attended the Calais district schools. His father, Ephraim Pray, was born October 22, 1825, and is still living, at the age of eighty-four. His mother, whose maiden name was Sarah A. LeBarron, was born March 17, 1834. Both his parents are of American nativity. He was married to Miss Villa M. Kelley, daughter of William and Olive A. Kelley of East Montpelier, Vt., in 1885. Besides his membership in Mt. Sinai Temple, he is enrolled in Wyoming Lodge, King Solomon R. A. Chapter, and Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T. He is also a member of Arcadia Lodge of Odd Fellows, Plainfield, Vt., and the Modern Woodmen of America. He is partial to automobiling and fishing in the way of pastimes. In political matters he is a Democrat.

Hugh J. McInnes

Chas. M. Burnett

F. Howard Childs.

Smith S. Baccard.

Geo L. Pray

LEWIS BARTLETT CROSS

Of Montpelier, Vt., is connected with Aurora Lodge, King Solomon R. A. Chapter, Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also enrolled in the Vermont Society, Sons of the American Revolution.

JOSEPH AREND De BOER

Of Montpelier, Vt., was born June 17, 1861, in Warffum, province of Groningen, Holland. He was brought to the United States at the age of seven, to Albany, N. Y., where he attended the public schools, graduating from its high school in 1880. He received from Dartmouth College the degrees of Bachelor of Arts, 1884; Master of Arts, 1887, and Doctor of Science, 1909. He was a master in the Holderness School for Boys in Plymouth, N. H., in 1884-85, and principal of the Washington County Grammar School in Montpelier, Vt., from 1885 to 1889. August 1, 1889, he accepted the position of actuary in the National Life Insurance Company, and was afterwards successively elected secretary and director in 1897, second vice-president in 1900, and president in 1902, which position he still holds. He is a charter member of the Actuarial Society of America; a trustee of the Permanent School Fund of Vermont, of the Washington County Grammar School, of Montpelier Seminary, and of St. Johnsbury Academy; chairman of the Vermont Conservation Commission; president of the Montpelier Board of Trade, and a member of the Vermont Historical Society. He is enrolled in Aurora Lodge No. 22, F. & A. M., of which he is past master; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of the Kappa, Kappa College Fraternity of Dartmouth and president of Phi Beta Kappa Alpha of New Hampshire, and of various civic and professional organizations. He was a State senator from Washington County in 1900, and the legislative representative of Montpelier in 1908. His church affiliations are Episcopal, and in politics he is a Republican.

STEPHEN R. COLBY

Of Montpelier, Vt., was born in Berlin, Vt., October 1, 1848, and is a passenger conductor on the Central Vermont Railway. He belongs to Aurora Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he is past master; King Solomon R. A. Chapter, of which he is past high priest; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., of which he is past eminent commander; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Montpelier Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix of Burlington, Vt.; Vermont Consistory 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple, of which he is past potentate. He was a delegate to the Imperial Council at Dallas, Tex., in 1898. He is living in Montpelier.

JAMES T. SABIN

Secretary of the Vermont Mutual Fire Insurance Company, Montpelier, Vt. He was born in Cambridge, Vt., the son of Henry William and Fidelia Thurston Sabin, his father having reached the age of eighty when he passed away, in 1875. Noble Sabin attended the public and select schools of his native town, and also Eastman's Commercial College in Poughkeepsie, N. Y. After leaving the latter in 1866, he entered the employ of the Vermont Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Montpelier, with which he has been connected now for forty-four years. In 1872 he became secretary of the company, and has continued to fill the position ever since, a period of thirty-seven years. He took his first degrees as a Mason at the age of twenty-one by joining Warner Lodge of Jeffersonville (Cambridge), Vt., in 1863. He is now a member of Aurora Lodge No. 22, and for several years was secretary of the lodge. He has likewise been secretary of King Solomon R. A. Chapter for the past twelve years and was its high priest in 1888-89. He became a member of Montpelier Council, R. & S. M., May 13, 1880, and of Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., January 11, 1884. He also belongs to Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple, of which he is one of the oldest members, having entered it December 22, 1885, nine years after the issuance of the charter. He has been for twenty-five years secretary of the Apollo Club of Montpelier, a position which he holds at present. He is a Republican in politics, and for several years was clerk of the village of Montpelier, holding that office until the village was incorporated as a city, when the office was merged with that of the city treasurer, at which time Hon. T. R. Merrill was chosen city clerk and treasurer. Noble Sabin was first married to Mary A. Wait of Cambridge, Vt., in April, 1873, and she died in 1894. Of this marriage there are four children living: Henry Wait, Hollis Raymond, Margaret, and Doris. He was married a second time in 1903 to Mary L. Jacobs, daughter of George and Merinda Jacobs of Montpelier, both of whom are deceased. The family home is at 15 Terrace Street, Montpelier, Vt.

VAN F. BENNETT

Of North Montpelier, Vt., is a native of Calais, Vt., and was born April 16, 1872, the son of Charles S. and Caroline LeBarron Bennett, both native Americans. His father alone survives. He received his education at Goddard Seminary, early took up farming on his own account, and has conducted it successfully since 1895 up to the present time. After being received into the Masonic order in Wyoming Lodge of Plainfield in 1903, he was admitted to King Solomon R. A. Chapter, then the commandery, and on October 18, 1904, he entered Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. Noble Bennett is a bachelor. An outdoor life appeals to him, and he is an enthusiastic hunter and fisherman, as well as being fond of driving a good horse. He votes the Republican ticket.

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DAVID P. BARBOUR

Born in New Ipswich, N. H., July 11, 1850. His father was born January 19, 1820. His mother, who is living, was born in Reading, Vt., July 4, 1826. She is a direct descendant of the Harington family, who were among the first settlers of Windsor, Vt. Noble Barbour is a member of Aurora Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Mt. Calvary Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, and is enrolled in Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. In addition he belongs to Windsor Lodge No. 55, I. O. O. F., in which he has filled all the offices except those of noble grand and vice grand. He is at present conducting a harness business in Montpelier.

FRANK HALL DYER

Of Barre, Vt., has been in the United States mail service at the Barre post office since 1897. He was born in Royalton, Vt., March 8, 1861, the son of Jonathan and Martha Church Dyer. He received his education in the Spaulding Academy at Barre. In 1892 he was married to Miss Lilla Partridge, daughter of Joseph and Lucinda Partridge of Braintree, Vt. He is a member of Mystic Star Lodge of Brookfield, Granite R. A. Chapter, Haswell Council, R. & S. M., of Randolph, St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter December 13, 1907. He is a member of the Vincitia Club of Barre, and a Republican in politics. His religious faith is Congregational. Fishing and huuting are his favorite sports.

HARRY W. PIDGEON

Born in St. John, N. B., December 24, 1865, and attended the local schools of that province. His father, Thomas Conrad Pidgeon, was born in Oak Point, N. B., October 12, 1831, and his mother, Mary Ann Fritch, still living, was born in St. Martins, October 5, 1835. Noble Pidgeon became a citizen of the United States, October 8, 1892, by taking out his papers in the United States District Court, Boston. His home is at 2301 Calumet Avenue, Chicago, and is now president and manager of the American Plate Enamel Company of that city. From 1882 to 1894 he was superintendent of the Eastman Clock Company; from 1902 to 1904 he filled a like position with the American Clock Company of Chicago. He was married, February 14, 1888, to Nellie D. Lawrence, daughter of George and Ellen Lawrence of Boston. She died in March, 1904, leaving her husband with one child, Fred A., born May 23, 1894. Another child, Lawrence D., born July 3, 1889, died in February, 1901. December 10, 1906, he was married again, his second wife being Lulu Settle, daughter of Rev. Henry Clay and Isabel Kerr Settle of Louisville, Ky. He is on the roll of Eureka Lodge of Fair Haven, Vt.; Poultney R. A. Chapter of Poultney, Vt.; Morning Star Council, R. &. S. M., of Poultney; Kellington Commandery, K. T., of Rutland, Vt., and Mt. Sinai Temple, joining the latter in 1900. He is also a member of Fair Haven Lodge of Odd Fellows.

CLARENCE S. WHITTIER

A granite dealer and large owner of quarries, is a native of Berlin, Vt., the son of Robert H. and Susan Phelps Whittier. Noble Whittier attended the schools of Montpelier. He was married to Miss Elizabeth Hodgden of Montpelier, and two children have been born to them: Fred H. Whittier, who was the leader of Whittier's Orchestra, and Florence H. Whittier, now Mrs. H. G. Barber of Brattleboro, Vt. He belongs to Aurora Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T. and Mt. Sinai Temple, uniting with the latter January 22, 1897. He is a member of the Congregational Church and in political matters acts with the Republican Party. His home is at 46 State Street, Montpelier, Vt.

DORMAN BRIDGEMAN EATON KENT

Of Montpelier, Vt., has been connected with the actuarial department of the National Life Insurance Company in that city, in the capacity of a clerk, since December 21, 1896. He was born in Calais, Vt., the son of Murray Abdiel and Ruth Eaton Gennett Kent. His father, a native of Calais was born November, 1849, and his mother was born in Woodbury, Vt., July, 1847. Noble Kent was educated in Montpelier Seminary, from which he graduated June 21, 1894 He was married in Lancaster, N. H., March 30, 1904, to Agnes Thompson, daughter of Alexander Thompson of Corinth, Vt., and Alice Cotton Twitchell Thompson of Randolph, Vt. They have two children: Bennett Thompson Kent, born January 9, 1905, and Richard Howard Kent, born December 16, 1909. Noble Kent belongs to Aurora Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in 1905. He is also a charter member of Montpelier Lodge of Elks and belongs to the Apollo Club of that city. He is devoted to the collection of antiques, the study of genealogy, and is viewing graveyards in the course of his studies, while his favorite reading is New England history and biography. He is a Republican, but has never held any public office.

David P Barbour

Clarence S. Whittier

Frank H. Dyer

H W Pidgeon

Dorman B. E. Kent

WILLIAM G. NYE

A merchant of North Montpelier, Vt., and has been postmaster of that place for the long period of thirty-six years. He was born in East Montpelier, December 16, 1844, the son of George G. and Elsie C. King Nye, both natives of Montpelier. His father was born June 26, 1815, and his mother April 6, 1818. Noble Nye received his education in the Union School, Barre Academy, and Green Mountain Seminary. He entered business as a merchant in 1869, and on January 22, 1873, was married to Miss Meriden A.Moorcroft of North Montpelier. They have two children: Bertha Florence, born November 17, 1873, who is now Mrs. Stevens of North Montpelier, and Charles I., born November 26, 1874, now a clerk in his father's store. Noble Nye entered Mt. Sinai Temple, June 13, 1902. His other Masonic affiliations are with Wyoming Lodge, F. & A. M.; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He and his wife were members of the party from Vermont that attended the Knights Templar Triennial Conclave in San Francisco in 1905. Noble Nye likes the sport of fishing, and he is a member of the Vermont Fish and Game League. As a Republican he represented his town in the Vermont Legislature in 1894 and 1895.

WILLIAM A. BRIGGS

Of Montpelier, Vt., is a past potentate of Mt. Sinai Temple of the Mystic Shrine, and has given his allegiance to Aurora Lodge, F. & A. M.; King Solomon R. A. Chapter Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection, 14°; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J., 16°; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°; and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He holds membership in the Vermont Sons of the American Revolution, Vermont Historical Society, Montpelier Country Club, and Apollo Club of Montpelier. He has held office in these Masonic bodies; eminent commander of the Commandery and now treasurer; high priest in the R. A. Chapter; thrice potent grand master in the Lodge of Perfection, and thrice illustrious master in the Council of Princes of Jerusalem. When he was potentate of his temple in 1887-88, the order was worked in full ceremonial for the first time there. He was born July 31, 1848, in Keene, N. H., the son of William S. and Nancy Ann Adams Briggs, his father being a native of Keene and his mother of Mt. Vernon. He is in the insurance business, having entered upon it in 1885, and is at present connected with the National Life Company. He is a Republican. He attends the Congregational Church.

DR. LEO A. NEWCOMB

A young physician who was included in the large class in Mt. Sinai Temple's caravan December 10, 1909. He was born at Waterbury, Vt., February 22, 1877, and was educated at Green Mountain Seminary. He is the son of Eliakim Allan Newcomb, of Waterbury, and Ellen Almira Smith Newcomb of Bolton. The University of Vermont graduated Noble Newcomb with the degree of M. D. in 1901, and he afterwards took a post graduate course in the New York Post Graduate School. In the same year he came to Montpelier and began the practice of his chosen profession. Dr. Newcomb married in Montpelier, October 16, 1901, Lucy Jane Hutchins, daughter of William H. Hutchins, of Waterbury, Vt., and Martha Bradshaw Hutchins, of Hydeville, Vt. They attend the Congregational Church and reside at 66 Northfield Street, Montpelier. Dr. Newcomb has offices in the Opera House Block. He is attending physician at Heaton Hospital, and a member of the Washington County and Vermont State Medical Societies and of the American Medical Association. He is at present junior warden in Aurora Lodge No. 22, F. & A. M., and is also a member of King Solomon Chapter, R. A. M.; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M., and Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, Knights Templar. Dr. Newcomb is a member of the Knights of Pythias, of the Modern Woodmen of America, and also of the Alpha Kappa Kappa Fraternity. He is a member of the Apollo Club, the Montpelier Country Club and the Montpelier Gun Club. He was clerk to the secretary of State during the legislative session of 1900, and is at present a school commissioner of the city of Montpelier. He is a Republican in politics.

BENJAMIN M. HAYWARD

A civil engineer, of Montpelier, Vt., has devoted most of his working life to railroad service, having been with several different roads. He was born January 1, 1867, in Weybridge, Vt., the son of Asaph D. and Jennie Peck Hayward. His mother is still living. He attended school in Middlebury, Vt. For twenty-two years he has been engaged in railroad surveying and construction work. He has in his time been connected with the Fitchburg Railroad, the Rutland Road, and was resident engineer on the Rutland-Canadian Road. At present he is engineer with the M. & W. Railroad and the Barre line. He belongs to Union Lodge No. 2 of Middlebury; Potter R. A. Chapter No. 22 of Middlebury; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M.; Mt. Calvary Commandery No. 1, K. T., of Middlebury, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He was married to Jessie M. Thompson, and they have one son, Lloyd T., now eight years old. Noble Hayward is a Republican.

DEAN W. EDSON

Engaged in the printing business in Montpelier, Vt., is a native of Marshfield, Vt., and was born September 5, 1874, of American parentage. He attended the local schools of Marshfield and early entered upon his business career, which he has pursued for the past twenty years. Seven years ago he established a business for himself and is now conducting it. He was married, June 22, 1898, to Miss Ella Chandler, of Middlesex, Vt., and three children have been born to them. Noble Edson belongs to Mt. Sinai Temple, of which he is musical director, and is likewise a a member of Aurora Masonic Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he was master in 1904-05; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; and Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T. He is affiliated with the Elks, Modern Woodmen of America, and the Junior Order United American Mechanics. For the past seventeen years he has been a member of the Montpelier Military Band.

W. G. Nye

Wm A. Briggs.

Leo A. Newcomb.

Beny. M. Hayward

D. W. Edson.

CLARENCE E. MOULTON

Well known in connection with insurance at Montpelier, Vt., is a native of Randolph, Vt., and was born September 29, 1863. Noble Moulton was educated in Dartmouth College, graduating from there with the class of 1889. During his last year at Dartmouth he was manager of the college baseball team, and now devotes most of his spare time to golf and automobiling. He has been connected with the National Life Insurance Company since October, 1891. He became chairman of the Republican Fourth Ward Committee of Montpelier in 1904. He belongs to Aurora Lodge No. 22; King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7; King Solomon Council No. 4, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is a member of the Apollo and Montpelier Country Clubs, as well as of the Mt. Mansfield Trout Club of Stowe, Vt. His religious affiliations are with the Episcopal Church. He was married to Laura Aline Temple, August 16, 1904.

WILLIAM MOORE HATCH

One of the Nobles of Mt. Sinai Temple whose activities have caused his removal from his native State, but he still retains his residence and membership in the Masonic bodies of Vermont. He was born at Strafford, Vt., April 28, 1864. He graduated from Dartmouth College and is now secretary of the class of 1886. Mr. Hatch took the law course in George Washington University, from which he graduated in 1889. From 1889 to 1896 he was a clerk and law clerk for the Interstate Commerce Commission. In 1896 he became assistant examiner in the United States Patent Office in Washington, from which he was appointed Chinese inspector and special attorney for New York and New England in 1898, continuing until 1902. Mr. Hatch resumed his old-time activity in his native State, and from 1906 to 1908 represented the town of Strafford in the Vermont Legislature. In the latter year he became a member of the staff of Governor George H. Prouty, of Vermont, with the rank of colonel. After leaving the Federal service Colonel Hatch became New England manager for D. Appleton & Co., resigning in February, 1905, to become New England manager of Silver, Burdett & Co. in which connection he now continues. Colonel Hatch married in Washington, D. C., February 16, 1891, Mary P. J. Sampson, of Bath, Maine. Colonel Hatch resides with his family at 16 Pelham Terrace, Arlington, Mass., and at Strafford, Vt., and his place of business is at 221 Columbus Avenue, Boston, Mass. He was brought to light in Masonry, August 27, 1897, in Temple Lodge No. 54 Strafford, Vt. Later he joined the Scottish Rite bodies of Vermont, Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Edward Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and was made a prince of the Royal Secret in Vermont Consistory, June 13, 1904. October 18 of the same year Colonel Hatch was received into the nobility of Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a companion of Mt. Lebanon Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, of Bradford, Vt., in which he was exalted September 14, 1909. He joined the Commandery, K. T., on March 11, 1910. Colonel Hatch is a member of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity (Zeta Chapter, Dartmouth College); Sphinx Senior Society, Dartmouth College; University and Dartmouth Clubs, Boston; Kimball Union Academy Association, Boston; Vermont Association of Boston; Old Belfry Club, Lexington; the Vermont Historical Society, and the Vermont Fish and Game League.

LESTER H. GREENE

President and manager of the Lester H. Greene Company, manufacturers of proprietary medicines. He was born in Plattsburg, N. Y., October 26, 1863, the son of Rufus L. and Sara Clary Greene. Noble Greene's early life was spent in Swanton, Vt., where he attended the high school, graduating in 1880. He then qualified himself as a druggist and in 1890 purchased the Bascomb drug store in Montpelier, which he managed with success until April, 1901. During his career as a pharmacist he perfected a remedy for coughs and colds, placing it on the market under the name of Greene's warranted Syrup of Tar. This remedy became so favorably known throughout New England and the Middle West that The Lester H. Greene Company was formed for its manufacture and sale, with several other remedies that have become famous. He was married, December 3, 1884, to Nell E. Gates of Highgate Springs, Vt. Mr. Greene was married the second time August 4, 1902, to Miss Ida B. Pickering of Weirs, N. H. As a Republican, he was elected alderman from Ward One for the term of 1900-01. He is a member of the Episcopal Church. He joined Aurora Lodge No. 22, F. & A. M., in 1897 and has since been its treasurer; King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7, in 1898, where he has been royal arch captain; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M., and Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T., in the same year; Mt. Sinai Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, November 17, 1898. December 11, 1908, Mt. Sinai Temple conferred upon him its highest honor, that of potentate, a position that he at present fills. He is past exalted ruler and past district deputy in the Order of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and a member of the Modern Woodmen of America. He is an enthusiastic automobilist, being secretary and treasurer of the Automobile Club of Vermont.

FRANK EDWARD BLODAH

Was born in Bakersfield, Vt., April 22, 1874, and attended the public schools of Winooski, Vt. Noble Blodah was married, June 10, 1896, to Miss Cora E. Wheeler, of Woodbury, Vt. Soon after entering business he joined Wyoming Lodge, F. & A. M., of Plainfield, and was elected worshipful master in December, 1905, serving until April, 1908. In 1903 he was admitted to King Solomon R. A. Chapter, and to Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., while in 1904 he entered Montpelier Council, R. & S. M. Since then he has become a member of Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory and was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in December, 1903, serving as assistant architect for six years since then. In politics he is a Republican. He was elected grand junior deacon of the Grand Lodge of Vermont in June, 1909.

DR. JESSE RIDEOUT GRIMES

One of the most recent additions to Mt. Sinai Temple, but one of the most enthusiastic. His membership dates from December 10, 1909. He is a self-made man, and was born April 28, 1875, at Franconia, Grafton County, N. H. After attending the common schools he entered Dow Academy at Franconia, from which he was graduated June 14, 1894. He entered the Medical College of Harvard University and was graduated June 28, 1899. To his credit it may be said that he worked his way through both Dow Academy and Harvard. In 1900 Dr. Grimes located in Montpelier, Vt., and began the practice of medicine and surgery. He resides at 73 Main Street. He is visiting physician to Heaton Hospital and is also high physician to the Independent Order of Foresters for the High Court of Vermont. In addition Dr. Grimes is a director of the Orange Realty and Improvement Company of New York. At one time he was health officer of Montpelier. He is a member of the Congregational Church, and also of several medical societies, including The Washington County and Vermont State Medical societies and the American Medical Association. He was made a Master Mason, April 23, 1902, in Aurora Lodge No. 22. He was exalted in King Solomon R. A. Chapter and knighted in Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T. He is also a member of Rob Morris Chapter of the Eastern Star, and of the Montpelier Board of Trade.

C. E. Moulton

Lester C. Greene.

Wm. M. Hatch

Frank Edward Blodgh.

Jesse R. Grimes

HARVEY R. WARREN

Of Montpelier, Vt., the son of Benjamin and Sarah Rowel Warren, and was born in Middlesex, Vt., April 1, 1877. His mother alone survives. After attending the local schools of Middlesex, he took up farming, and has ever since followed agricultural pursuits. He is still single, and devotes so much of his efforts to the business of farming that he has little time for any kind of sport or pastime. He belongs to Mt. Sinai Temple, Wyoming Lodge, a Royal Arch Chapter, Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection, Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J., Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. He also holds membership in Arcadia Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Plainfield, Vt., and in the Sons of Veterans. He attends the Congregational Church, and in politics is a Republican.

FRED P. TOWNSEND

A native of East Montpelier, Vt., where he was born February 27, 1872. His father was Herman F. Townsend, who married Laura L. Lawrence, both of whom were well known in East Montpelier. Educated in the schools of Plainfield and East Montpelier, young Townsend first entered the farming business, where he continued for ten years, but for the past ten years he has been engaged in business for himself as a meat dealer in East Montpelier, where he is widely known and universally popular. Noble Townsend married at Plainfield, December 19, 1894, Laura K. Hanson, daughter of Hans Haraldsted Hanson and Johanna Janson, natives of Denmark. They have two children, Elver E., born July 23, 1896, and Paul H., born March 25, 1907. Noble Townsend was entered, passed, and raised in Masonry in Wyoming Lodge No. 80, in North Montpelier, and was advanced and exalted in King Solomon Chapter No. 7, Royal Arch Masons, of Montpelier. He received the Templar orders in Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, of Montpelier, of which order he is an enthusiastic member. He entered the nobility of Mt. Sinai Temple, December 11, 1908. In political sentiments Noble Townsend sides with the Democrats, though he has never taken more than a voter's part in the game of politics.

COLLINS BLAKELY

A well known pharmacist of Montpelier, Vt., was born in Pawlet, Vt., March 14, 1837, of which town his parents also were natives. His father was Daniel Blakely, and his mother, Hannah Edgarton Blakely. He was graduated from Union College in 1861, and passed the next four years, up to 1865, teaching in Vermont and New Jersey public and academic schools. Since 1868 he has carried on the trade of a general merchant. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1897, and is now high priest and prophet in the Temple, as well as past potentate. He also belongs to Aurora Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter, of which he is a charter member; King Solomon Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. He has filled all the principal offices in local Masonic bodies, and is past grand high priest of the Grand R. A. Chapter of Vermont. He took his capitular degrees in Poultney Chapter. He is a member of the Apollo Club, a Unitarian in religious belief, and a Democratic-Independent in politics. He is fond of riding and driving.

JOHN WAHLEN

Master mechanic of the Montpelier & Wells River Railroad, has been engaged in railroading twenty-six years. He is also chief of the Montpelier Fire Department, having been appointed to that post in 1906. He was born January 29, 1866. He is a member of St. Paul Lodge and St. Paul R. A. Chapter of Boston; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Joseph Warren Commandery No. 26, K. T., of Roxbury, Mass., and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in 1902. He is also connected with an Odd Fellows' lodge of Boston, the Order of the Eastern Star, Modern Woodmen of America, and the New England Order of Protection. In 1897 he was married to Miss Marie Samuel of New York City. He is a member of the Congregational Church and a Republican.

JOHN M. WILLARD

Of East Montpelier, Vt., son of John M. Willard, and Philena I. Pearsons, who was born August 26, 1838, and is still living. He attended the district schools of East Montpelier, and after leaving school took to railroading, in which he has continued ever since. From 1905 to the present time he has been with the Delaware & Hudson Railroad. He is in Mt. Sinai Temple, and also belongs to Wyoming Lodge, King Solomon R. A. Chapter, and Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T. He was married to Edith F. Nye, daughter of George G. and Elsie C. Nye of East Montpelier, and they have two children: John Richard, now nineteen years old, and George Earl, ten years old. Noble Willard is a member of the Universalist Church and is affiliated with the Republican Party in political matters. His favorite pastime is fishing.

Harvey R. Warner

Collins Blakely

Fred P. Townsend

John Wahlen

John M. Willard

JOSEPH WELLS JACKSON, M. D.

Has been a practicing physician and surgeon in Barre, Vt., since July, 1890. He was born in Stockholm, N. Y., April 25, 1868. After attending Barre Academy and Goddard Seminary, he graduated from the University of Vermont in 1890, receiving the degree of M. D. A Democrat in politics, he was made a member of the Washington County Pension Board in 1900, and was a city health officer from July, 1903-08. He served in the Spanish-American war of 1898 as an assistant surgeon. Dr. Jackson holds the rank of Oriental guide in Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered February 8, 1895. He became a member of Granite Lodge, F. & A. M., before his graduation. Later, February 6, 1890, he joined Granite R. A. Chapter, was high priest in 1889, and deputy of the third district in 1899 and 1900. In 1890 he attained the Red Cross and Templar degrees, and was eminent commander of St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., in 1904. He likewise belongs to Heaton Council, P. of J., and Vermont Consistory, 32°. Dr. Jackson is also a member and physician of Manchester Unity Odd Fellows; a member and physician of Barre Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles; assistant surgeon of Clan Gordon, O. S. C., and a member of the Vincitia and Jefferson clubs of Barre. He was married, February 22, 1893, to Sue Frances Emery of St. Albans, Maine, at Chelsea, Mass., and they have one son, Edward Wells Jackson. Their home is at 29 South Main Street, Barre. Noble Jackson is a member of the Congregational Church. He delights in horseback riding and fishing.

DEAN P. TOWN

A well-known banker of Barre, Vt., was born in East Montpelier, Vt., September 22, 1868, of American parentage. He was educated in the public schools and Goddard Seminary, and was married in August, 1899, to Maude F. Haskins. Noble Town was bookkeeper for the Granite Savings Bank & Trust Company for three years, next bookkeeper, teller, and assistant cashier of the National Bank of Barre for eleven years, and for the past five years has been cashier of the People's National Bank of Barre. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple December 13, 1901, prior to which date he had become connected with Granite Lodge No. 35, Granite R. A. Chapter No. 26, and St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11, K. T. He is also a member of the Vincitia Club and the Jefferson Democratic Club of Barre. Fishing and hunting are his favorite forms of recreation. He is an attendant of the Episcopal Church.

JOHN HENRY JACKSON, M. D.

Formerly of Barre, Vt., entered the Unseen Temple in September, 1907. He was potentate of Mt. Sinai Temple for the term of one year, beginning December 14, 1900. He attained great distinction in the Masonic fraternity, and at the time of his death the Grand Commandery, K. T., was called on to mourn the loss of its grand commander. He was born in Brome, province of Quebec, April 19, 1844. He received an academic education in Spaulding Academy. In 1865 he graduated from the medical department of the University of Vermont and practiced in Stockholm, N. Y., for five years. He returned to Barre, and continued to live there until the final summons came. In 1882 he was chosen professor of physiology in the University of Vermont, which position he held until his death. He represented Barre in the State legislature in 1878-79. He was superintendent of the public schools of Barre in 1881-82 and was for many years trustee and treasurer of Barre Academy. In 1896 he was elected mayor of Barre. From 1893 he was president of the Barre Savings Bank and Trust Company, and vice-president of the National Bank of Barre. As a Freemason he was ever active and consistent. He first saw light in Brasher Lodge of Brasher Falls, N. Y., June 17, 1867. He dimitted to Aurora Lodge of Montpelier, February 7, 1870, and in June, 1876, to Granite Lodge, of which he was worshipful master from 1879-81 inclusive. From 1881-86 he was district deputy grand master, in the sixth masonic district. He received the capitular degrees in St. Lawrence Chapter of Potsdam, N. Y., June 16, 1869. He afterward joined King Solomon Chapter of Montpelier, and became a chapter member of Granite Chapter of Barre, and was its first high priest. In 1893-94 he was district deputy in the fourth capitular district. The cryptic degrees were attained in Montpelier Council, May 21, 1874, and he was knighted in Mt. Zion Commandery, Northfield, Vt. On the formation of St. Aldemar Commandery of Barre, he transferred his membership in that body. In 1900 he was chosen its eminent commander, and nine years later entered the line in grand commandery, advancing in regular gradation, until in June, 1907, he was elected grand commander. The various degrees of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, N. M. J., were conferred upon him by Gamaliel Washburn Lodge, Mt. Calvary Council, Delta Chapter, and Vermont Consistory, in all of which he reached high rank. September 18, 1888, at Boston, he was crowned in the thirty-third degree and became an honorary member of the supreme council. In 1876 he was a charter member of St. Helena Conclave of the Red Cross of Constantine, and in 1894, in Boston, received the degrees of the Royal Order of Scotland. He was married to Anna Dutton Wells, in Brasher Falls, N. Y. She died November 29, 1868, leaving one son, Dr. Joseph W. Jackson, who is practicing medicine in Barre. December 24, 1869, Rt. Eminent Sir Jackson was married to Cora A. Wood, who survives him with two sons.

JOHN M. BONNYMAN

Proprietor of the Commercial House of Concord, N. H., has been in the hotel business since 1906. Prior to entering that line he was engaged in the granite trade from 1890 to 1906. He was born June 7, 1869, in Aberdeen, Scotland, and attended the schools there. Noble Bonnyman was married October 30, 1906, in Northfield, Vt., to Miss Jennie Matson of that town. They have had two children, Marguerite and Shirley who both died in infancy. In addition to his membership in Mt. Sinai Temple, he is a past master of Granite Lodge, and also belongs to Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church and a Republican.

ALEXANDER E. BRUCE

Was born May 16, 1859, in Peterhead, Scotland. He came to Barre twenty-eight years ago and started in the granite business in 1883 under the firm name of Bruce Bros. After three years he became a stockholder of the Vermont Granite Company, and was vice-president of that company fourteen years. He was superintendent of streets in the city of Barre from 1902 to 1905. Keith Lodge No. 56 of Peterhead, Scotland, is his mother lodge, but after coming here he became a member of Granite Lodge, Granite R. A. Chapter, Montpelier Council, R. & S. M., St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection, Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J., Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, the Vermont Consistory and Mt. Sinai Temple. He was recorder of St. Aldemar Commandery for five years and was for several years one of the Arab Patrol in Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a member of the Burns Club of Barre and was chief marshal when the Burns monument was dedicated in 1898. He is sole owner and operator of one of the best producing granite quarries in Barre, the firm name being A. E. Bruce & Co.

J. W. Jackson

J. Henry Jackson.

Dean P. Town

J. M. Bonnyman

A. E. Bruce

HENRY C. WHITAKER

A trade journalist, with headquarters in Barre, Vt. He graduated from Dartmouth College in 1896 and studied law two years, published a daily newspaper in Barre six years, entered the trade journal field, and is now one of the editors and eastern manager of "Rock Products" and "The American Stone Trade," two trade journals published in Chicago. He is the son of Elroy Bidwell and Jane Patrick Whitaker, and was born in Hinesburg, Vt., April 23, 1874. Only his father survives. He was married to Bessie A. Sayles September 11, 1901, and three children have been born of the union: Elroy Howard, Lucy Jane, and Dorothy Ruth. Noble Whitaker has been an enthusiastic follower of baseball and football, and is especially fond of hunting and fishing. His home is at 16 Merchant Street, Barre. He belongs to Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., in which he was eminent commander in 1908-09, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is a member of the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity and the Vincitia Club of Barre. His political faith is Republican, and he attends the Universalist Church.

CLARENCE W. STEELE, D. D. S.

A well-known dentist of Barre, Vt., he was born in Northfield, Vt., December 21, 1857, the son of S. Warren and Martha L. Steele. He is past illustrious potentate of Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in 1893, and is likewise affiliated with Granite Lodge, F. & A. M.; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Calvary Lodge of Perfection. He also holds membership in the Vincitia Club of Barre. He has been engaged in the practice of his profession since 1886. His favorite form of recreation is automobiling, to which he is greatly devoted. In politics he is a Republican.

ELROY BIDWELL WHITAKER, M. D.

A practicing physician in Barre, Vt., of many years standing. He was born in Bethel, Vt., December 29, 1845, the son of Pescal and Mary Bidwell Whitaker, both of American birth. His father was born March 9, 1817, and his mother October 8, 1824. Dr. Whitaker was educated in the public and private schools of Pittsford and Rutland, Vt., later entering the New York Homeopathic Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1868. He is treasurer of the Vermont Board of Medical Registration and is on the staff of the Barre City Hospital. He belongs to Patriot Lodge, F. & A. M., of Hinesburg, Vt., and was worshipful master for eight years; Granite R. A. Chapter of Barre; Waterbury Council, R. & S. M., of Waterbury; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., of Barre, of which he is past commander; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J., in Montpelier; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, in Burlington, and Vermont Consistory. He is first alchemist in Mt. Sinai Temple and grand warden of the Grand Commandery of Vermont, and is also a member of Montpelier Lodge of Elks. Dr. Whitaker's home is on Merchant Street, Barre.

WILLIAM MARR

A granite manufacturer, he was born in Aberdeenshire, Scotland, July 18, 1853, the son of Alexander and Mary Burr Marr. His parents were of Scotch nativity; his father was born in 1805 and his mother in 1813. Noble Marr, after attending the schools of his native place, learned the trade of stone cutting in Aberdeen. In 1880 he came to this country and located in Quincy, Mass., where he worked for eight years. He then came to Barre and joined the firm of Marr & Gordon, and has continued in the business ever since. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple March 15, 1899, and is a member of Granite Lodge, F. & A. M.; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; and St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T. He has been high priest in the chapter and commander in the commandery. He is also a member of Clan Gordon, O. S. C.

DANIEL F. DAVIS, JR.

Of Barre, Vt., was born in Westfield, Vt., May 23, 1861, and is engaged in the drug business in Barre. He is a member of the Board of Pharmacy and secretary of it. He was appointed to the board in 1906, and was president of the Vermont Pharmaceutical Association in 1907-08. His parents, Daniel F. Davis, Sr., and Hattie K. Francis Davis, are both living. He received his education in Vermont Academy, and was a traveling salesman for several years, representing wholesale drug houses. He belongs to Lafayette Lodge of Cavendish, Vt.; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a member of the Vincitia Club of Barre, also vice-president of both the New England Association of State Pharmacy Boards and the National Association of State Pharmacy Boards. His favorite pastimes are hunting and fishing.

Henry C. Whitaker

E. B. Whitaker

C. W. Steele

William Marr

D. A. Davis Jr

DONALD SMITH

One of the enterprising granite manufacturers of Barre, Vt. He was born in Bury, county of Compton, Quebec, Canada, and is one of eleven children born to Angus and Elizabeth McIver Smith. Both parents were natives of Scotland. He went to Barre in 1882, and his present business connection is with E. L. Smith & Co., as vice-president and general superintendent. Noble Smith belongs to Granite Lodge No. 35, F. & A. M.; Granite Chapter No. 26, R. A. M.; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He was one of the representatives to the Imperial Council held in St. Paul, Minn., in July, 1908. He is also enrolled in the Eastern Star; Montpelier Lodge No. 924, B. P. O. Elks; New England Order of Protection; Vincitia Club of Barre; Canadian Club of Boston, and was the first president of the Canadian Club of Barre, Vt. He is a member of the Congregational Church and a prominent Democrat. He is a great lover of fine horses. Noble Smith was twice married: on May 23, 1888, to Winnie G. Voodry, who was born in Woodbury, Vt., March 4, 1866, and died February 7, 1897, leaving one child, Donald Winnifred; and on January 4, 1899, to Ethel A. Carswell, born January 21, 1875. Of this last marriage two sons have been born, one dying in infancy; the other, John Wendell, was born April 26, 1903.

ANGUS A. SMITH

A merchant and real estate dealer of Barre, Vt., is a native of Bury, province of Quebec, Canada, and was born May 1, 1860, the son of Angus and Elizabeth McIver Smith. He belongs to Granite Lodge No. 35, F. & A. M.; Granite R. A. Chapter; St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also a member of Hiawatha Lodge No. 20, Odd Fellows; of Clan Gordon No. 12, Order of Scottish Clans, and of the Canadian Club of Barre. He attends the Presbyterian Church and is unmarried.

JOHN E. SMITH

A granite manufacturer of Barre, Vt., where he is also a director of the Barre National Bank and trustee of the Barre Hospital. He was born November 27, 1853, in Lingwick, Compton County, province of Quebec, Canada, the son of Angus and Elizabeth McIver Smith, both parents being natives of Scotland. He attended school in Canada, and on removing to Barre entered the granite industry. His present business connection is with E. L. Smith & Co. and the Wells-Lamson Quarry Company, quarry owners. He is a member of the Congregational Church and is attached to the Democratic Party. He is partial to fishing as a pastime. He belongs to Granite Lodge, F. & A. M.; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple, having joined the latter December 10, 1897. He was married to Florence Lillian Ayers, and two children have been born to them: Murdena Jane and Joena Elizabeth. He is a member of Montpelier Lodge of Elks, of the Eastern Star, and also of the Canadian and Vincitia clubs of Barre.

FRANK M. LYNDE

Son of Charles and Alice Martin Lynde, he was born in Williamstown, Vt., July 24, 1871. He attended Goddard Seminary and graduated from that institution in 1891, entering Tufts College, Medford, Mass., the following fall. He graduated from Tufts with the class of 1895, and then entered the Harvard Dental School in Boston, where he secured his degree of D. M. D. in 1898, after a course of three years. He is now located in the Currier Building in Barre, his home being on Wellington Street, that city. He was married to Miss Alice Smith and has one child, a son, Charles Emery Lynde. He is a Universalist, belong to the Vincitia Club of Barre, and is fond of automobiling. Dr. Lynde became a Mason a number of years ago by joining Granite Lodge of Barre, in which he has been elected to the office of chaplain. He was advanced to the capitular degrees in Granite R. A. Chapter, and has since been knighted in St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., of the same city. He is a noble of Mt. Sinai Temple.

CLARENCE A. WHEATON

Connected with the granite manufacturing interests of Barre, Vt., living at 14 Ayers Street, that city, was born in Barre in 1850. His father, Charles Wheaton, born June 28, 1828, and his mother, Harriet Eastman Wheaton, were of American birth. Noble Wheaton was educated in Barre Academy and entered the granite business in 1878, being superintendent for the firm of Wetmore & Morse from that year up to 1889, when he became superintendent for E. L. Smith & Co., a position he has since filled, a period of twenty-one years. He belongs to Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter body, March 15, 1901. June 23, 1872, he was married to Mary C. Roseboom, of Albany, N. Y., and six children have been born to them: Charles A., Jessie C., Frank G., Lena M., William L., and C. Ray Wheaton. He is a Republican and attends the Congregational Church.

Donald Smith

John C. Smith

Angus A. Smith

Frank M. Lynde

C. A. Wheaton

CHARLES W. AVERILL

Son of Ambrose B. and Elizabeth Averill, was born in Barre, Vt., February 6, 1859. He attended the schools of his native town and afterwards took a business course in a Boston business college. Returning to Barre, he engaged in the hardware trade, in 1892 entering into partnership with E. A. Prindle, doing business under the firm name of Prindle & Averill. This firm continued until 1905, when the partnership was dissolved, he retaining the business. He immediately formed with A. W. Eastman and N. S. Love the firm of C. W. Averill & Co., now located at 81 North Main Street, in that city, where he at present resides, at 6 North Street. He has been selected a director in the People's Bank of Barre, the president and cashier of which, Charles W. Melcher and Dean P. Town, are both well-known Shriners. Noble Averill joined the Masonic order, by being received into Granite Lodge of Barre, attained the capitular degrees in Granite R. A. Chapter, and was granted knighthood in St. Aldemar Commandery, both also of Barre. He became a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple November 18, 1902. In 1883 he was married to Miss Rose J. Carpenter of Barre. They have three children: Ives M., since married, Eula C., and Arthur L., all of whom were born in Barre.

JOHN T. AVERILL

A member of Granite Lodge, Granite R. A. Chapter, and St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and a noble of Mt. Sinai Temple. He was born in Barre, Vt., June 3, 1882, the son of John Wilson and Adela Mary Trow Averill, Americans, both living. He attended the Spaulding High School and soon after completing his studies entered a banking institution, on September 28, 1900. January 1, 1903, he became a teller, which position he now holds. He is a Republican and a member of the Vincitia Club. He is affiliated with the Congregational denomination.

NELSON B. BALLARD

Engaged in the general insurance and steamship ticket agency business in Barre, Vt., which he has conducted since 1894. He was born in Georgia, Vt., May 18, 1875. His parents were natives of Vermont. His father, John M. Ballard, was born in 1848, his mother, Laura A. Barbour Ballard, who was born in 1850, is living. After graduating from the Milton High School he attended the Greenwich Academy in Greenwich, Conn., for a year. He was married October 27, 1904, to Miss Carrie J. Stearns, daughter of Newton and Louise Stearns of Hinsdale, N. H. They have two children, Eloise Irene, born September 8, 1906, and Helene Ruth, born August 1, 1908. Noble Ballard belongs to Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.; and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter body in 1903. He has been chairman of the Republican City Committee of Barre and attends the Congregational Church. He holds membership in Vincitia Lodge, K. of P., and in Uniform Rank, K. of P., having been captain of Barre Company No. 6 three years. He is also a member of the Vincitia Club. He is fond of hunting and fishing, and was formerly a devotee of golf. His home is at 19 Orange Street, Barre.

CLINTON G. MOORE

Treasurer and general manager of the Moore Manufacturing Company of Muncie, Ind., is a native of Ohio, and was born at Bellevue, that state, October 8, 1880. He is the son of William Luther Moore, born in 1843, and Anna Mary Steele, who was born in 1857. Both his father and mother are living. After receiving his education in the public schools in Marietta, Ohio, he entered the shoe business, first with the Grimes Shoe Co., of Marietta, Ohio, and then with Starr & Co., of Zanesville, Ohio, leaving that to connect himself with the granite industry in Barre, Vt., as manager of the offices of Charles S. Baldwin & Bro., afterwards the Baldwin Granite Company, leaving there to be connected with his present company, the Moore Manufacturing Company of Muncie, Ind. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in May, 1907. Prior to that he had become affiliated with Granite Lodge, Granite R. A. Chapter, and St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T. He is a member of Vincitia Club of Barre, Vt., and Muncie Commercial Club of Muncie, Ind. By religious persuasion he is a Presbyterian, while in political matters he acts with the Republican Party. He was married December 26, 1906, to Miss Ella Grace Sutton of Hillsdale, Mich., and one child was born to them on March 18, 1908, Mary Alice Moore. Their home is in Muncie, Ind.

JOHN STEPHEN

Engaged in the granite manufacturing business in Barre, Vt., the past ten years. He is now senior member of the firm of Stephen & Genard, which was established in 1900. He was born in Boddam, Scotland, June 4, 1872, the son of John and Ann Stephen, both of Scottish nativity. His mother alone survives. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1907, and is also connected with Granite Lodge, in which he has served as chaplain; Granite R. A. Chapter, and St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T. He was married to Frances M. Maguire of Manito, N. Y., and two children have been born to them: Lester J. and Rupert W. Noble Stephen is fond of hunting and fishing, those being his favorite forms of recreation. He is a Republican, and has been a school commissioner of Barre. His home is on Madison Street. His religious affiliations are with the Episcopal Church.

Chas. W. Averill

John T. Averill

Clinton E. Moore

John Stephen

ALEXANDER MILNE

A granite manufacturer of Barre, Vt., and senior member of the firm of Milne & Robertson, was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, November 1, 1855, the son of Alexander and Elizabeth Malcolm Milne, both of Scotch birth. He attended the schools of his native city of Aberdeen, and was married there to Mary Middleton before coming to this country. They have four children: Lizzie, Mary, Alexander, and Ruth. The first two were born in Aberdeen and the other two in Barre, Vt. Noble Milne is a Presbyterian in his religious belief and a Republican in politics. He is an ex-member of the board of aldermen of Barre. He belongs to Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and entered Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., March 15, 1907. He is also affiliated with the order of the Clans of Scotland and is a member of the Vincitia Club of Barre. Fishing and hunting are his favorite pastimes.

GEORGE PRESSLY MILNE

A member of the granite manufacturing firm of Milne & Son, of Barre, Vt., is a native of Aberdeen, Scotland. His father, George P. Milne, Sr., born in 1839, and his mother, Margaret Dickson Milne, born in 1841, are both natives of Scotland. Noble Milne attended the schools of Aberdeen and after coming to this country entered the granite business in Vermont. He has been married twice, his first wife having been Margaret Dick, and of this union there are five children: Elizabeth, Maggie, Mary, Christina, and William. His second wife, who was Jane Reid, is a native of Scotland, and they have one child, Jane Reid Milne. He is in Granite Lodge No. 35, F. & A. M.; Granite R. A. Chapter No. 26; St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter body in 1894. He belongs to the Presbyterian Church, is a Republican in politics, and is a member of the Foresters of America and the Modern Woodmen.

GEORGE WALKER

A member of the granite manufacturing firm of George Walker & Sons of Barre, Vt., which was established in 1888, Mr. Walker entering the firm thirteen years ago. He is a native of Aberdeen, Scotland, as are his parents, George Walker, born in 1841, and Annie Robertson Walker, born in 1851. Only his mother survives. He attended the Spaulding school in Barre, and later Goddard Seminary. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple December 13, 1902. He also gives allegiance to Granite Lodge, F. & A. M.; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He likewise belongs to the order of Scottish Clans and the Vincitia Club of Barre. In 1904 he was married to Ethel M. Hanson of Washington, Vt., and one child has been born to them, Anna R. Walker. Their home is at 15 Vine Street, Barre. Noble Walker holds independent views in politics, while in religious belief he is a Congregationalist. He is rather fond of hunting and fishing as pastimes.

CHARLES FRANKLIN AYER

Son of Willard G. Ayer, now living at the age of eighty-four, and Emiline M. Richardson Ayer, was born in Sheffield, Vt., about thirty miles northeast of Montpelier, March 3, 1863. He attended the academy in St. Johnsbury, where he met Miss Nettie E. Dean, to whom he was married in 1884. After being employed in various capacities, he became a stone mason and cutter in 1887, which trade he followed successfully for about eighteen years. November 16, 1905, he received an appointment to the United States Mail Service and since that date has been in the government postal employ. He was lately received in Mt. Sinai Temple, of the Shrine, having been admitted previously to the Masonic Order, in Granite Lodge No. 35, of Barre. He took his capitular degrees in Granite R. A. Chapter No. 26, of which he is a past high priest, also in Barre, and was knighted in St. Aldermar Commandery No. 11. He is a Baptist, and in political matters has preserved his independence from party sympathy. He is a prominent member of Washington County Rural Letter Carriers' Association No. 10, also a member of the New England Fat Men's Club. He has at present three children: Glen Charles, aged eighteen; Dean Willard, aged sixteen, and Ethel May, aged ten.

ERWIN S. WHITCOMB

Another of the Nobles of Mt. Sinai Temple who have lately left their native State for wider fields. He is a native of the Green Mountain State, and was born in Rochester July 17, 1879, being the son of S. S. Whitcomb and Lynda French Whitcomb. Noble Whitcomb is a self-made man, and his rapid rise is regarded by his legion of friends as only the forerunner of greater things. Graduating from the Randolph High School, Noble Whitcomb entered the dry goods business in 1898 as a clerk and errand boy. Fidelity and enthusiasm brought his personality so strongly to the front that by unusual and rapid promotions he became the vice-president and general manager of the Homer Fitts Company of Barre, in 1906. This is indeed an achievement, for the company is one of the largest dry goods establishments in the State. In the spring of 1909, being desirous of entering even larger fields, Noble Whitcomb associated himself with mining men of large experience and soon became secretary and treasurer of the Mexican Homestake Mining Company, with offices in Boston, where he now resides. Noble Whitcomb was brought to light in Masonry in Phœnix Lodge and was exalted in Whitney R. A. Chapter, both of Randolph. He was knighted in Mt. Zion Commandery K. T. He entered the nobility of Mt. Sinai Temple, December 8, 1905. In July, 1907, he married Winifred Mann, daughter of Wallace and Ida S. Mann, of Randolph, and until their removal to Boston resided in Barre.

Alexander Milne

George Walker

George P. Milne

Charles F. Ayer

E. Whitcomb

JAMES REID COUTTS

Of Barre, Vt., a native of Scotland, receiving his education in the schools of Aberdeen. His father, James Coutts, was a native of that city. His mother, Jane Milne Coutts, born in Perth, Scotland, is still living. He was born April 25, 1867, and became a granite cutter at Barre in 1902. He has been a granite salesman since 1905. He was married to Miss Maggie J. McMillan, who was born in Aberdeen, and they have three children: Norman R., Wallace M., and James Roy Coutts. He belongs to Granite Lodge, Granite R. A. Chapter, St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also past patron of Ruth Chapter, O. E. S.; past chief of Clan Gordon, O. S. C.; past president of Barre Aerie, F. O. E., and a member of the Barre Eagle Club, besides being on the honorary roll of Operative Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Aberdeen. He is a Republican, and served as first constable in 1903-04. His favorite pastime is fishing.

FRANK J. MARTIN

Judge of the probate court in Barre, Vt., was born in Washington, Vt., October 22, 1858. His parents, were Kimball Parish and Delena Wiley Martin, both of American birth. He attended the public schools of Vermont and also Barre Academy, later entered Worcester Academy, Worcester, Mass., where he graduated in 1883. He then studied law, and was admitted to the bar in 1890. After practicing his profession a number of years he was appointed judge of the probate court March 19, 1909. He was married, December 28, 1892, to Miss Ida M. Norris of Montpelier. They have one daughter, Katherine E. Martin. Judge Martin belongs to Granite Lodge, F. & A. M.; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple, into which he was admitted December 13, 1901. He acts with the Republican Party in politics.

CENTER LAMB BATES

Born in Barre, Vt., September 18, 1831, son of Asa and Phœbe Ainsworth Bates. They were both native Americans. He was next to the oldest of a family of fourteen children, eight brothers and six sisters, of whom there are but two sisters and himself living. His education was acquired in the district schools. He has been twice married; his first wife having been Adeline R. Moore of Plainfield, Vt., and his second wife was Martha Fuller Peck of Barre, Vt. He has been a life-long Democrat in politics, and in his religious affiliations a Universalist. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple, November 13, 1900, having previously become connected with Granite Lodge No. 35, F. & A. M.; Granite Chapter No. 26; a charter member of St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11, K. T., and a member of Gamaliel Washburn lodge of Perfection. He likewise belongs to Ruth Chapter No. 33, O. E. S. He has been quite extensively engaged in farming all through his working life, starting in for himself in 1852, at the age of twenty-one. Although seventy-eight years of age he is still quite active, and is so well preserved that he retains much of the vigor of early manhood, this being due to the fact that he has been governed by correct principles in all his transactions. A few years ago he retired and is now living a restful life in Barre.

WILLIAM T. CALDER

Of Barre, Vt., a member of the firm of Mutch & Calder, granite manufacturers, established in 1892, began in that line a quarter of a century ago. He is a native of Aberdeen, Scotland, the son of Alexander and Isabella Thompson Calder, both of Scotch descent; his mother is living. He was educated in his native city, and in January, 1898, was married to Anabel McDonald. They have one child, Willard. He was appointed a justice of the peace in November, 1908, and is a member of the Republican Party. His connection with Masonry began in Granite Lodge No. 35, F. & A. M., becoming past high priest in Granite R. A. Chapter No. 26, and proceeding upward to Montpelier Council of Royal and Select Masters. After being knighted in St. Aldemar Commandery, he received his Mystic Shrine degree in Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also in the order of Scottish Clans. His favorite diversion is automobiling.

DONALD W. McDONALD

Of Barre, Vt., is connected with the granite quarrying business of that city, was born November 1, 1856, in Winslow, province of Quebec, Canada, and attended the public schools of his native place. His parents were natives of Lewis Island, Scotland, his father having been William McDonald and his mother Anne McIver McDonald. He was married to Catherine Nicholson of Lingwick, province of Quebec, and they have two children: Madeline and Donald William. Noble McDonald is a member of Granite Lodge, Granite R. A. Chapter, St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1903. He is also connected with Clan Gordon, O. S. C., and the Canadian Club of Barre. He was a manufacturer of granite at one time, starting in that business in 1890, but since 1905 he has been superintendent of the Consolidated Quarry of Barre. He attends the Congregational Church and is a Democrat. He is very fond of hunting and fishing.

James R. Coretts

Center L. Bates

Frank J. Martin

William J. Calder

D. W. McDonald

ERNEST A. DROWN

Conducts a drug business in Barre, Vt., is a son of Alfred G. and Lucia Day Drown, both living, and was born in Lyndonville, Vt., in 1873. He was educated in Lyndon Institute, graduating with the class of 1891. He entered the same year the occupation of druggist, and has made a substantial business success of his store in Barre. He became a member of Granite Lodge, in Barre. Soon afterwards he was received into Granite R. A. Chapter, still later joined St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and in 1906 Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of Vincitia Lodge, K. of P.; Clan Gordon, O. S. C., and the Elks and Woodmen of Barre. He belongs to the Vincitia and Golf clubs of that city. He was married to Miss Grace M. Lowell of Newport, N. H., and has two children: Wendell H. and Lowell E. Drown. He is very fond of hunting and fishing, votes the Republican ticket, and attends the Congregational Church in Barre.

EDWARD D. SMITH

A resident of Barre, Vt. He follows the occupation of a granite cutter and has been connected with the firm of C. R. Scott & Co. for several years. He is a native of Leith, Scotland, the son of John D. and Mary McGregor Smith, both natives of Aberdeen, Scotland. Only his mother is living. He is a member of Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, October 24, 1905. He also belongs to the Order of Scottish Clans, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and the Granite Cutters' Union. He attends the Congregational Church and is a Republican. He resides at 36 Maple Avenue, Barre.

GEORGE BAILEY COON

Of East Walpole, Mass., was born in Hudson, Wis., February 8, 1868. His father, William Henry Harrison Coon, was a native of Colchester, Vt. His mother's maiden name was Edna Lurinda Bailey. He has a sanitarium for mental and nervous diseases, which he established in 1902. He is a Republican, a member of the Board of Health, and a justice of the peace. He attended St. Albans Academy, graduating therefrom in 1887, and from Dartmouth College in 1892, receiving the degree of A. B. He was also graduated from Dartmouth Medical College in 1895, when the degrees of A.M. and M.D. were conferred. Between 1895 and 1902, he was in turn assistant physician at the Taunton State Hospital, the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary, and St. Bartholomew's Clinic, also assistant superintendent of the Vermont State Asylum. He belongs to Franklin Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Lebanon, N. H.; St. Andrew's R. A. Chapter of Lebanon; Waterbury Council, R. & S. M., of Waterbury, Vt.; Sullivan Commandery, K. T., of Claremont, N. H.; Lafayette Lodge of Perfection; Giles F. Yates Council, P. of J., and Mt. Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix of Boston, as well as Massachusetts Consistory, 32°. He is a noble of Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also enrolled in the Alpha Delta Phi, the I. O. O. F., and N. E. O. P. He was married, April 13, 1901, to Mary Jameson Cannell, of Lansing, Mich., whose father, Charles C. Cannell, was a native of England, while her mother, Frances W. Hixox Cannell, was a native of Vergennes, Vt. He is fond of automobiling, tennis, yaching and billiards, and his reading is largely scientific.

ALEXANDER DUNCAN

Son of Alexander and Jane Cowie Duncan, was born in the shire of Aberdeen, Scotland, November 30, 1872. He attended schools in his native city, and in 1890 emigrated to America, settling in Barre, Vt., Noble Duncan's present residence. In 1893 he started in business under the name of the North Barre Granite Company and is a member of the concern now. He joined the Masonic order by becoming a member of Granite R. A. Chapter, also of Barre. He joined St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., of the same city, and December 14, 1906, was received as a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple. Besides his Masonic affiliations, he is a member of four different branches of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in Barre, and is enrolled in local lodges of the Knights of Pythias and of the Red Men. He is a member of the well-known Vincitia Club and the city's business men's social organization. He is a very busy man, but like others in the vicinity of his home passes much of his time fishing.

CHARLES SUMNER CUSHMAN

Of Barre, Vt., was born in Morgan, Vt., June 10, 1880. He attended the common schools, and graduated from the commercial department of Lyndon Institute in June, 1898. He afterwards took a private course in electrical engineering and is at present connected with the firm of Cushman & Ward in an electrical contracting and general supply business. Previous to this he was for seven years with the Consolidated Lighting Company of Montpelier. His father, Gardner H. Cushman, born in 1855, and his mother, Nettie A. Cushman, are both living. He is a member of Aurora Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He belongs to the Vincitia Club of Barre. He is fond of outdoor sports, but the greater part of his time is devoted to business.

Ernest A Droux.

Gro B. Coon M.D

Edward D Smith

Alex Duncan

C A Cushman

KENNETH WILLIAM BUCHANAN

Of Graniteville, Vt., is a foreman of the Consolidated Quarry Company of Websterville, which position he has held from 1899. He was born in the province of Quebec, and his schooling was attained there. Early in life he entered his present occupation. He is not married. His parents were Norman and Mary Nicholson Buchanan, the former a native of Scotland and his mother of Quebec. Both are living. His religious belief, like that of his parents, is Presbyterian. He favors hunting and fishing, and for reading prefers general literature. In politics he is Independent. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1909, and likewise belonged to the lodge and chapter both named Granite, and St. Albans Commandery. He is enrolled in the Canadian Club of Vermont, the order of the Scottish Clans, and the Red Men.

WILLIAM H. WARD

An ice dealer of Barre, Vt., having been engaged in that business since 1901. He was born in Montpelier, Vt., November 29, 1874, and attended the public schools of Barre. His father, James Madison Ward was a native of Hartland, Vt., and his mother, Ellen Ward, was born in Dublin, Ireland. She is still living. He was married to Maude Mae Scott, and they have one child, Clarence Scott Ward, who was born March 20, 1903. Hunting and fishing are Noble Ward's favorite pastimes. He belongs to Granite Lodge; Granite R. A Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., entering the latter June 1, 1906. In his religious belief he is Universalist and is a Republican in political matters. He is a member of the Vincitia Club of Barre, and lives at 2 Kirk Street, that city.

WILLIE D. SMITH

Senior member of the firm of Smith & Cummings, grocery and provision dealers of Barre, Vt., becoming such July 1, 1905. He was born in Williamstown, Vt., January 23, 1862, and attended the public schools of Montpelier, Vt. Both his parents were American born. His father was Alexander Smith, and his mother's maiden name was Mary Ann Harrington. He belongs to the Democratic Party and since 1904 has filled the public post of justice of the peace. He was married to Myrtie E. Cummings, October 15, 1884, and they have three children: Alexander H., born July 15, 1888; Eva G., born March 1, 1890, and Carroll C., born August 5, 1893. The family house is at 80 Summer Street, Barre. In addition to being a member of Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered in 1907, he also belongs to Granite Lodge, Granite R. A. Chapter, and St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T. He is a director in the People's National Bank of Barre, and is an attendant of the Methodist Church in that city. His mercantile career dates from April 7, 1891.

CLINTON E. THWING

Has followed the occupation of a stone cutter for a long period, having started at the trade twenty-seven years ago. He has been connected with the firm of Barclay Bros., granite manufacturers of Barre, Vt., since 1907. He was born in Barre, December 17, 1863; his mother was Eliza C. Peck Thwing, born July 29, 1819, and his father James Thwing, born May 11, 1817. Both parents were of American nativity. He attended the public schools of Barre, and July 27, 1904, was married to Kathleen Richardson Appleby of Bethel, Vt. He served twelve years in Company E, 1st Regiment Vermont National Guard, the last five years being quartermaster sergeant. He was a member of the local fire department twenty years, and foreman of Hose Company No. 2 five years. He is in Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; St. Aldemar Commandery K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, November 13, 1900. In political matters he acts with the Democratic Party. In his church affiliations he is a Universalist. At one time he was engaged in the wood business, as one of the firm of Thwing Bros. He is partial to all outdoor sports, and has been especially fond of hunting and fishing. His home is at 177 North Seminary Street, Barre.

JAMES REID, JR.

Of Barre, Vt., was born July 6, 1866 in Aberdeen, Scotland. His parents were James and Ann Stewart Reid. His mother is living. He attended the schools of Aberdeen, and was married in 1902 to Eliza Jane Cluness, daughter of Alexander and Margaret Jackson Cluness of Aberdeen. Noble Reid has been a granite cutter since 1884. He is a member of Granite Lodge, Granite R. A. Chapter and St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, December 13, 1907. He is also affiliated with the order of Scottish Clans, the Red Men, and the Odd Fellows, and is past grand master of the Manchester Unity branch. He was formerly greatly interested in all athletic sports, but now devotes his spare time to golf. He is Independent in political matters.

Kenneth W. Buchanan

W. D. Smith

Wm Howard

C. E. Thurings

James Reid

EDWARD N. ALDRICH

Postmaster of Graniteville, Vt., which position he has filled since May 15, 1903. He has also been a merchant since 1897. He is an attendant at the Universalist Church. He is allied with the Republican Party, and was elected for Barre Town third selectman in 1907, first selectman in 1908, and re-elected for two years in 1909. He was born March 24, 1867, in Shrewsbury, Vt., his parents being Luman and Amanda Butler Aldrich, natives of Vermont. His mother is living. Noble Aldrich is a graduate of Vermont Academy. He holds membership in Eden Lodge of Ware, Mass., Granite R. A. Chapter of Barre, and St. Aldemar Commandery of Barre, besides his connection with Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a lover of automobiling.

GEORGE C. SANBORN

Engaged in business as a druggist in Northfield, Vt., conducting a store of his own. He was born in Northfield January 5, 1860 and is the son of Eben G. and Angeline Woodbury Sanborn. October 26, 1887, he was married to Abbie L. McIntosh, daughter of Reuben and Persis McIntosh of Northfield, and they have three children: G. Max, born in 1889; Edward M., in 1891, and Robert G., in 1896. He is a member of DeWitt Clinton Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He also belongs to the Elks. His home is at 45 Central Street, Northfield.

JAMES GEORGE PIRIE

Of Graniteville, Vt., is the son of James K. Pirie a granite manufacturer of Barre, Vt., a native of Scotland, and Mary S. Farnsworth Pirie, born in West Derby, Va. His mother is living. He was born in Williamstown, Vt., and attended the public schools of that town, and is a graduate of the American School of Correspondence in steam engineering. During his whole working life he has been associated with his father in the business of quarrying granite and in steam engineering. He worked one year as chief engineer for Jones Bros. Granite Company, Barre, and his present position is superintendent of his father's granite quarries. He is a widower; his wife was Ellen M. Smith, daughter of Oscar and Clara J. Smith of Montpelier, and they were married in Washington, Vt., June 28, 1899. He has one child, Elliott James, born in April, 1900. Noble Pirie is fond of outdoor sports, particularly hunting and fishing, and is a studious reader of scientific works. He belong to Summit Lodge of Williamstown, Vt., F. & A. M.; Granite R. A. Chapter; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.; and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he joined in 1909. He is also a member of Maple Leaf Camp, Modern Woodmen of America, the N. E. O. P., of which he is a past warden, and the Eastern Star. He was elected delegate to the National Convention of the National Association of Stationary Engineers in 1903 and again in 1909. In the Foresters of America he has held the office of secretary several years, but recently withdrew from it. Although not a member he is a regular attendant of the Universalist Church at Barre, Vt.

WILLIAM JOHN EDWARDS

Of Graniteville, Vt., is a native of the province of Quebec, Canada, and was born November 29, 1862. He attended the public schools there, and graduated from the Inverness Academy in 1880. The first twenty years of his life were passed on a farm in Canada. He taught school for three years in his native province and has been connected with the E. L. Smith & Co.'s quarrying business since 1888. His father was a native of Ireland. His mother, Mary J. Lipsey, was born in England and is living. He has been married twice. His first wife was Susan J. Lowray of Quebec, and his second wife, Etta M. Smith of Barton, Vt. He has one son by his first wife, Eugene Ralph Edwards, born September 22, 1889. He belongs to Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is likewise a member of Hiawatha Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Barre, Vt. In politics he is a Republican and is a member of the Episcopal Church.

DONALD W. SMITH

Engaged in the business of granite cutting in Barre, Vt., his home is at 38 Liberty Street, that city. He has been connected with the firm of Jones Bros. there since 1898. He was born November 6, 1866. in Winslow, province of Quebec, Canada, the son of William and Anne McIver Smith, both parents were natives of Scotland. Noble Smith is fond of the healthful game of golf, and also of bowling. In politics he is a Republican, and attends the Presbyterian Church. He was a pupil in the local schools of Spring Hill, province of Quebec. He belongs to Orleans Lodge; Keystone R. A. Chapter; Malta Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., having entered the Shrine December 6, 1899.

JAMES KELMAN PIRIE

Engaged in the granite quarrying business at Barre, Vt., is a native of Scotland, having been born in Peterhead, May 13, 1858, the son of Walcott and Jane Kelman Pirie. He attended public schools in Scotland, and after coming to this country worked as a stone cutter in several factories in Vermont, starting in 1874. From 1881 up to the present time he has been engaged in granite quarrying. He is a Democrat, and since 1891 has been a justice of the peace. He is a member of the Burns and Glenngie clubs of Barre. He belongs to Summit Lodge of Williamstown; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1903. Other orders with which he is affiliated are the Scottish Clans, the Eagles of Barre, and the Modern Woodmen of America. He was married December 22, 1882, in Hardwick, Vt., to Mary S. Farnsworth, daughter of C. Farnsworth of that town. They are the parents of eleven children, as follows: James G., born May 2, 1883; May, October 14, 1884; Frederick, May 23, 1886; Gower, December 27, 1887; Maud Isabella, September 25, 1889; Myrill, January 25, 1891; Bessie, October 9, 1893; Daisy, December, 1894; Elsie, December 7, 1896; Christian, October 20, 1898, and Francis, December 25, 1900.

A. J. YOUNG

A member of the firm of Young Bros., granite manufacturers, of Barre, Vt., which was established in 1892. He was born March 6, 1867, in Fyvie, Scotland, the son of James G. and Helen Diack Young, both of Scotch nativity. His mother alone survives. He attended the local schools of his native town, and on coming to this country entered the granite business, which he has ever since followed. He was married to Miss L. D. Greigware, and two children have been born to them: Ethel and Gloria Young. Noble Young is in Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., to which he was admitted December 14, 1906. He also belongs to Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M., and St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T. He is a member of the Vincitia Club of Barre, and his favorite forms of recreation are automobiling and gunning.

E. N. Aldrich

Pirie

Geo. C. Sanborn.

Wm J Edwards

D. W. Smith

JOHN A. CROSS

Of Northfield, Vt., was born in Maplegrove, province of Quebec, December 30, 1867. He was educated in the public schools of that place and Inverness Academy. His parents, Thomas W. and Esther Donoughy Cross, are both living. He is a member of the Cross Bros. Granite Manufacturing Co., which was formed in 1892. Previous to that he was in the confectionery business at Manchester, N. H., in 1886. He was married in that city December 10, 1892, to Miss Lillian M. Cunningham, daughter of Henry C. and Etta Cunningham of Manchester. They have one child, Hermon H. Cross. Noble Cross belongs to DeWitt Clinton Lodge, F. & A. M.; Montpelier R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Montpelier Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of Northfield Lodge of Odd Fellows, and has filled all the offices in the subordinate lodge and the encampment.. He is a Republican and a license commissioner since 1904. He belongs to the Baptist Church, is fond of fishing and hunting and devoted to historical reading.

WILLIAM K. WHEATLEY

Of South Northfield, Vt., is a sash and door manufacturer of that town. He was born in Brookfield, Vt., March 18, 1849, the son of William and Emily Skinner Wheatley. He attended the public schools of Brookfield and on January 9, 1879, was married to Anna Carpenter, daughter of Austin and Harriet W. Carpenter of Brookfield, who passed away in 1890, leaving one child, Bessie Vaughan, born July 7, 1880. He was married again, August 17, 1905, to Addie Cobleigh, daughter of Martin Cobleigh of Northfield, Vt. He belongs to Mystic Star Lodge of Brookfield; Granite R. A. Chapter of Barre; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Barre Commandery, K. T. (in which he has filled all the offices up to generalissimo), and entered Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1903. He was traveling salesman for the Fairbanks Scales Company, of St. Johnsbury, Vt., for twelve years, after which he conducted a furniture and undertaking business for ten years in Barre, Vt., and for the past five years has been engaged in his present occupation. Noble Wheatley is a man of sterling integrity and enjoys the confidence and esteem of his fellow townsmen.

JOSEPH M. BULLOCK

Son of Atwood C. and Maria Emerson Bullock, was born in Berlin, Vt., December 3, 1871. His parents are both living and reside in Northfield, Vt. He attended the common schools of Berlin, and when about nineteen years old entered the photographic business, his present occupation, in Northfield, Vt., where he has an excellent studio. In Northfield also he makes his home, and attends the Universalist Church there. He is politically an Independent, and declares his favorite pastime is having a general good time with the Shriners. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple December 12, 1902. His first degrees in Masonry were received in DeWitt Clinton Lodge, February 7, 1901, he was admitted to King Solomon Chapter of Montpelier, and just a year later was knighted in Mt. Zion Commandery, also of Montpelier. He was married to Miss Harriet Loveland, daughter of Josiah and Jeanette Haselton Loveland, in June, 1895. Besides his Masonic affiliations he is also an Elk.

FRED CURRIER GREENE

Carried on the business of a druggist at Dorchester, Mass., for fifteen years; was a son of William Henry and Lizzie Currier Greene, the former of St. Albans, the latter of Northfield. He was born in Northfield, June 21, 1863, and attended the public schools of that town, besides taking a special course in the Massachusetts School of Pharmacy to fit himself for the business in which he has since been engaged. He was married in Dorchester, Mass., October 25, 1896, to Bessie Wells Dyer, daughter of George L. and Mary Allen Dyer of Dorchester. Noble Greene belongs to DeWitt Clinton Lodge, F. & A. M., of Northfield, Vt.; Dorchester R. A. Chapter; DeMolay Commandery, K. T., of Boston, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a Republican and a member of the Universalist Church. He is a diligent reader of history and general literature; all outdoor sports find in him an enthusiastic advocate.

IRVING C. ELLIS

Of Northfield, Vt., he is a native of Bucksport, Maine, and was born September 16, 1880. His parents are Edwin Baruch Ellis of Prospect, Maine, and Josephine Coombs Ellis of Bucksport. He attended the public schools of Charlestown, Mass., and Northfield, and took a course in civil engineering in Norwich University, graduating and receiving his degree of B. S. in June, 1901. From that time up to the present he has been connected with the E. B. Ellis Granite Company, with main office and cutting works in Northfield and quarries of white granite in Bethel, Vt. He was married in Brattleboro, Vt., April 30, 1907, to Beryl Gilman, daughter of George E. and Lucy Averill Gilman of Brattleboro. He attends the Universalist Church, is a member of DeWitt Clinton Lodge No. 15, F. & A. M., and was its master in 1908-09; King Solomon Chapter No. 7, R. A. M.; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T.; Vermont Consistory, S. P. R. S., 32°; Naomi Chapter No. 18, O. E. S., and Mount Sinai Temple.

John A. Cross

J.M. Bullock

W. K. Wheatley

F. C. Grune

O. M. JONES

Born in Warren, Vt., February 11, 1864, and attended the public schools of that town. He is a member of Mad River Lodge, F. & A. M., of Waitsfield, Vt.; Winooski R. A. Chapter of Waterbury; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., of Montpelier, and entered the Mystic Shrine by way of Mt. Sinai Temple in 1896, for several years being on the Arab Patrol; also a member of the Odd Fellows, having filled the principal positions in that lodge. He is a Republican, and has been postmaster since November 21, 1893; was also elected town clerk March 3, 1903, now filling that office. His business in connection with his post office and town clerk's office is stationery and bookkeeper. His first wife was Rose F. Perkins of Warren. His second was Jennie L. Parker of Warren. He has three children: Mildred F., born May 5, 1894; Merritt A., born April 12, 1901, and Marion E., born March 12, 1906. Noble Jones delights in historical reading, and his outdoor enjoyment consists of riding and driving.

PLYNA PARKER

Born in Fayston, Vt., August 7, 1847, and is a member of Mad River Lodge No. 77, of Waitsfield, Vt. having been its master for three years. He is in Winooski R. A. Chapter of Waterbury; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery. K. T., of Montpelier, and Mt. Sinai Temple, becoming a member of the temple in 1892. He attended the public schools of Waitsfield, and as a Democrat served as a Representative in the legislature of 1904-06. He is a member of the Fat Man's Club. His principal business is wooden ware and lumber.

WILLIAM J. HIGMAN

A monumental designer with the Denver Marble & Granite Company, of Denver, Col. He is a native of England, and was born March 4, 1865, of English parents, Richard and Mary Jane George Higman. He attended schools in England, and in 1886 was married in that country to Leonora Lucinda Lott, daughter of George and Mary Jane Smith Greenaway of Cornwall, England. They had two children: Wesley Richmond, born June 3, 1887, died October 8, 1887, and Flossie, born in Quincy, Mass., August 14, 1888. After coming to this country in 1887, he worked in the monumental industry in Quincy, Mass., and Westerly, R. I., in 1891. In June, 1893, he took his family to England, and returned to this country in November, 1893, where he re-entered his former position, in Westerly, R. I., remaining there until the fall of 1894, when he went to Barre, Vt., where he conducted the Eclat Granite Company, which he sold in 1889, and went to Denver, Col., where he operated a retail monumental factory, which later consolidated with the Denver Marble & Granite Company. In 1905 he went to San Francisco for his health, and remained there until the earthquake in 1906, going to his present position in Denver in March, 1907. While on a visit to Barre, Vt., he joined Mt. Sinai Temple, December 9, 1904. In December, 1909, he was transferred from Granite Lodge to one in Denver. He is also a member of Granite R. A. Chapter; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and the four bodies of the Scottish Rite, including Vermont Consistory, 32°. He is affiliated with Ruth Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of Barre, Vt., and is a charter member of Berkeley Lodge of Denver, United Commercial Travelers. He invented a non-refillable bottle in 1905, and in 1909 he also designed a non-puncture automobile wheel. He is fond of hunting and fishing, and his church affiliations are with the Episcopal faith.

WESLEY E. DANA

Of Warren, Vt., is a constable of that town, and at one time filled the office of deputy sheriff. He was born in Fayston, Vt., May 16, 1847, the son of Samuel and Calister Porter Dana, both natives of Vermont. His parents moved to Waitsfield, where he attended the district schools. He was one of the youngest volunteers who served in the Civil War, for at the age of fifteen he enlisted in the 17th Vermont regiment of Volunteers in February, 1864, and participated with his regiment in a number of campaigns. He was married, May 5, 1893, to Alice M. Martin, daughter of Oscar and Myra Martin of Warren, and they have one child, Lois, born July 16, 1907. He is a member of Libanus Lodge of Bristol, Vt. He joined King Solomon R. A. Chapter December 11, 1885, and the Commandery March 4 of the following year, entering the temple May 22, 1896. He acts with the Republican Party in political matters.

NATHAN THAYER

Of Warren, Vt., is one of the old surviving soldiers of the Civil War in the State. He was a member of Company H, 6th Vermont Volunteers, and after serving a year on the field became so disabled that he was ordered to the hospital, but at his own request was sent home. A pension was granted him two months and eight days later, which he has drawn since 1863. He was born in Waitsfield, Vt., March 4, 1839, the son of Pliny and Susan M. Wait Thayer, attended the public schools of his native town, and was married twice, but is now a widower. His first marriage, January 1, 1861, was to Susan M. Pierce, and their children are: Eugene F., born July 30, 1868; Mrs. Jessie L. Gleason, born June 10, 1872, and Mrs. Kate Hoffman, born February 28, 1877. Mrs. Thayer died in 1877, and in 1879 Mr. Thayer was married to Susan M. Barnard McAllister, daughter of Hiram Barnard and Diana Allen of Warren, and widow of Samuel McAllister. She died in June, 1909. Starting in 1850, Noble Thayer followed the occupation of farmer and dealer in general produce for a number of years. He belongs to Mad River Lodge No. 77, of Waitsfield, Vt.; Waterbury R. A. Chapter No. 24; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple No. 3, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he joined in 1892. He is a member of the G. A. R. and past commander of Joseph Elder Post.

O. M. Jones

Olyna Parker

W. E. Danner

Nathan Thayer

HARVIE W. McALLISTER

Born in Waitsfield, Vt., September 26, 1872, the son of Wesley G. and Alma R. Parker McAllister, both natives of Waitsfield; his mother is living. He attended the public schools and then entered Eastman's Business College in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., graduating from there in 1893. He was engaged in the creamery business in Vermont for several years, but went West in the summer of 1904 and invested in a large stock ranch. At present he is manager of the Oregon Irrigated Land Company and lives in Denio, Oregon. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in April, 1904, prior to which he had become connected with Mt. Vernon Lodge and Tucker R. A. Chapter of Morrisville, Vt., and Palestine Commandery, K. T., of St. Johnsbury. He is also past worthy patron of Coral Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of Morrisville.

ZIBA H. McALLISTER

A noble of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1898, and since 1889 he has been postmaster of Waitsfield, Vt. He was born in Waitsfield, educated in the public schools of Waitsfield, and went from there to serve in the Civil War. His father was William McAllister of Brookfield, his mother was Anna Lavone Green, a native of Waitsfield. Mr. McAllister married in Montpelier, December 7, 1870, Betsy A. Jones, daughter of Harry and Fanny Jones of Waitsfield. Their only son, Harry M. McAllister, born in 1871, was made a Mason in 1892. Ziba McAllister had been a Mason for many years, having been raised in Mad River Lodge No. 77, of Waitsfield. He was exalted in Waterbury R. A. Chapter, received the cryptic degree in Waterbury Council, and was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, in Montpelier. Noble McAllister is a member of Ainsworth Post No. 36, Grand Army of the Republic, at Waitsfield, and was senior aide-de-camp and chief of staff to the department commander in 1907. He is a Republican in politics and belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is fond of all kinds of sports and his favorite reading is history.

FRANK D. DEWEY

Of Montpelier, Vt., is a native of Vermont's capital city, and was born May 7, 1855. Both his parents were natives of Berlin, Vt. His father was Denison Dewey, born June 1, 1825, and his mother, Amy A. Chandler Dewey, was born May 17, 1826. Noble Dewey received his education in Montpelier Seminary, graduating from that institution in 1871, when he entered mercantile business. From 1894 up to the present time, a period of fifteen years, he has filled the position of clerk with the firm of Peck Bros. of Montpelier. He is connected with Aurora Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He was elected to the prominent position of grand commander of the Grand Commandery, K. T., of Vermont, in June, 1909, and now holds that position. His home is at 37 School Street, Montpelier. He is a member of the Apollo Club of that city. In politics he is Republican, while his religious affiliations are with the Congregational Church.

HARRY W. BELDEN

Is a native of Pawlet, Vt., and now resides in Waitsfield, that State. He is a son of Jerome A. and Emogene Bostwick Belden, and was born December 9, 1872. He was married October 5, 1900, in Danby, Vt., to Georgianna, daughter of Delmer E. and Fanny Mathewson Gorton of that town. He is proprietor of several large creameries in that State. He began business in that line, March 7, 1899. He attained the sublime degree of Master Mason in Mad River Lodge, received the capitular degrees in Waterbury R. A. Chapter, and was knighted in Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., of Montpelier.

JAMES A. ERWIN

Of Waitsfield, Vt., was born May 2, 1850, in County Antrim, Ireland, of Scotch-Irish parentage, and was brought to this country by his parents when less than a year old. His father, was James R. Erwin, and his mother, Rachel Anderson Erwin. He attended the public schools of Montpelier and Waitsfield, and November 30, 1871, was married to Mary E. Pierce, daughter of Thomas and Mary Dana Pierce of Warren, Vt. Two years after her death he was married to Nancy Blair of Waitsfield. He first joined Aurora Masonic Lodge and was dimitted to Mad River Lodge. He also belongs to King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a member of the Apollo Club and a Republican in politics. Noble Erwin, who is engaged in farming, is very fond of the sport of fox hunting, and his reading embraces all branches of literature.

Frank D Denry

Harry W Belden

James A. Erwin

CHARLES C. WARREN

Of Waterbury, Vt., is the president of the Warren Leather Company of Morrisville, Vt., which was established in 1900 at that place, he having been burned out in Waterbury the year before. He was born in Hartland, Vt., February 11, 1843, his parents being Charles W. and Julia M. Perry Warren, and received his education in the Kimball Union Academy of Meriden, N. H. After leaving school he took up the occupation of tanning with his father in Hartland, and while there was leader of the Hartland Cornet Band. He arranged for a new tannery in Waterbury in 1870, and moved to that town, where he was successfully engaged until he was burned out in 1899. He was leader of the Waterbury Brass Band, State Fish and Game Commissioner, and was the one who erected the State Fish Hatchery at Roxbury. He is affiliated with the Republican Party. He married Ella F. McElroy, the daughter of Jeremiah and Floretta Budwick McElroy. There are two children: Kate Grace, born February 4, 1876, and Charles Carleton, Jr., born September 29, 1888. Noble Warren dates his membership in Mt. Sinai Temple from 1903. He also belongs to Winooski Lodge, Waterbury R. A. Chapter, and the Knights Templar.

JOSEPH SOMERVILLE

Of Waterbury, Vt., was born in Fayston, Vt., September 20, 1829, entered the Unseen Temple April 30, 1910. He was the son of Joseph and Jane Somerville. He attended the public schools of his native town, passed several years in the gold diggings of California in the early fifties, and after his return was engaged in farming in Duxbury for several years. Later he entered the feed, flour and coal business. He was married in Duxbury, January 13, 1858, to Corrina Huntley, daughter of Isaiah and Paulina Huntley of that place. They had three children: Alice M., born November 25, 1858; Nathan H., born November 19, 1865, and James F., born June 29, 1871. He was a charter member of Winooski Masonic Lodge No. 49, F. & A. M., and was also connected with Waterbury R. A. Chapter, Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in 1903. Noble Somerville retired from active business and lived with his son, James F., in Waterbury. He was a Republican.

EBENEZER JOHNSON FOSTER, M. D., C. S. D.

Of Waterbury Center, Vt., was born in Moretown, Vt., January 15, 1847, and is a retired physician and surgeon, having been in general practice for a number of years, after taking special courses in both allopathic and homeopathic colleges and hospitals. He attended the public schools of Moretown, graduating from the high school in 1866. He took special courses in German, French, Spanish, music, and painting; also a course in oratory in Boston. His parents were Leonard Robinson and Jane Boyington Johnson Foster. His adopted mother was the Rev. Mary B. G. Eddy. The Foster family is one of the most ancient on record, having sprung from Anacker, great forester of Flanders, this branch coming over to England with King William the Conqueror, who married Queen Matilda Foster, or Forrester. Dr. Foster is single. He belongs to Winooski Lodge, F. & A. M.; Waterbury R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery K. T., of which he has been eminent commander; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Edward H. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a member of the Eastern Star. He enlisted at the age of fifteen in Company B, 10th Vermont Volunteer Infantry, is prominent in the G. A. R., has been president of the Washington County Veterans' Association several years, and is a past president of the Vermont Veterans' Society of Boston and vicinity. He has been lecturer of Vermont State Grange and is past master of the subordinate grange. He is past president of the National C. S. A., and has traveled extensively in the United States. In politics he a Republican. Noble Foster is fond of reading historical and scientific works and general literature.

WILLIS BARRETT CLARK

Of Waterbury, Vt., was born there June 21, 1862. He is engaged in the banking business, having been employed by the Waterbury National Bank from 1882, and its cashier from 1900 to the present time. He was educated in the Waterbury public schools and the Green Mountain Seminary, afterwards taking a special business course in 1881. His parents are Herman B. and Frances H. Daniels Clark of Waterbury, Vt. He was married in Waterbury in 1885, to Miss Emily E. Lease, daughter of George H. and Mary Boardman Lease. He is now a widower with one child, Lewis Barrett Clark, born September 17, 1886. He is a past master and secretary at the present time of Winooski Lodge, F. & A. M.; past high priest of Waterbury R. A. Chapter; a member of Waterbury Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also an Odd Fellow, being a past grand in that order, a member of Alhambra Encampment of Waterbury, and past C. P. He is enrolled in the Pastime Club of Waterbury. In politics he is a Republican, and by religious faith a Congregationalist. He is an enthusiastic mountain climber, and history is his favorite reading.

EUGENE E. CAMPBELL

In the insurance and real estate business at Waterbury, Vt. For twenty-five years he has been a station agent on the Central Vermont Railway. He is a native of Braintree, Vt., and attended the public schools of that town. He is the son of Phineas and Addie M. Thurston Campbell. He belongs to Winooski Lodge; Waterbury R. A. Chapter; King Solomon Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he joined in 1903. In addition to his Masonic connections he is chancellor commander of Paul Dillingham Lodge, K. of P.; past grand of Mentor Lodge of Odd Fellows; chief patriarch in Alhambra Encampment; past warden in Mt. Mansfield Lodge, N. E. O. P., and a member of the Pastime Club. He was married November 6, 1889, to Bertha M. Denny, daughter of Homer and Nancy M. Denny of Northfield, Vt. They have two children, Harold D., born March 30, 1895, and Homer P., born May 8, 1899.

C. C. Warren

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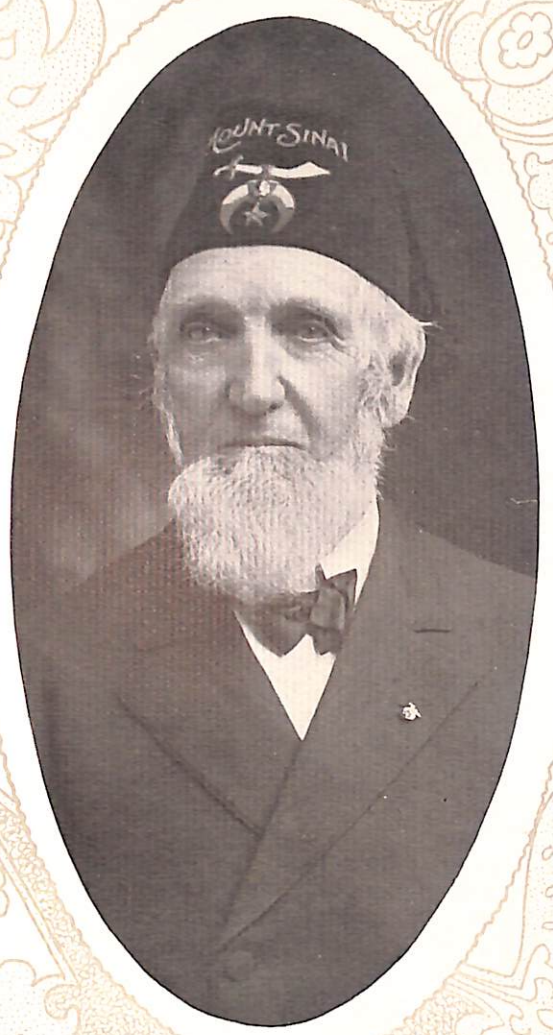


Joseph Somerville

Wm. P. Clark

E. E. Campbell

HARRY A. BARTLETT

Born in St. Johnsbury, Vt., September 30, 1864. His parents, were Jarvis and Lydia J. Allen Bartlett. Noble Bartlett, who is on the roll of Mt. Sinai Temple, attended the public schools, finishing his education in the academy of his native town, after which he took up the bookkeeping profession, and is now engaged in that capacity for the A. H. McLeod Milling Company. He was freight agent eighteen years. His wife was Gertrude S. Brown, daughter of William and Elizabeth Brown, and they were married October 22, 1885. Their home is at 3 Caledonia Street, St. Johnsbury. He is a Republican and attends the Universalist Church. In Freemasonry he bears allegiance to Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M., and Palestine Commandery, K. T., and has filled the chairs in all of the above.

LAMBERT H. FARNHAM

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., is a native of Waterford, Vt., where he was born January 1, 1851. For thirty-nine years he has been a tinsmith, and from 1881 to 1892 he was employed in the shop of the Fairbanks Scales Company, and was foreman from 1885 to 1892. Since then he has been in the plumbing, heating, and hardware business for himself. His parents were Amariah L. and Fanny Allen Farnham. He attended the public schools of Waterford and graduated from the grammar school in Lisbon, N. H. He has been twice married. His first wife was Miss Jennie S. Eldridge of Minnesota, who was a member of Mystic Star Chapter No. 29, O. E. S. One daughter born of their union is Miss Ina M. Farnham, and she is a member of Keystone Chapter, O. E. S., Boston, Mass. His second wife was Mrs. Della C. Lee of Boston, Mass., who is a member of Keystone Chapter, O. E. S., Boston. Noble Farnham is in Moose River Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He also is enrolled in the Odd Fellows, the Eastern Star, and Olive Branch Rebekah Lodge. He is a Republican and has been a village trustee for five years, four of which he was chairman of the board.

CHARLES ARBA CALDERWOOD

Past grand master, was born in Greensboro, Vt., July 22, 1849, and with the exception of two terms at the People's Academy in Morrisville, Vt., was educated in the public schools of his native town. After attaining his majority, he entered upon a business career, working in general stores in Greensboro and Wells River, Vt. In the fall of 1875 he began the furniture and undertaking business in St. Johnsbury, and has continued it uninterruptedly, with a reputation long since firmly established for square dealing and faithful service. In 1883 he was married to Ida M. Pinney of Greensboro, and to them three sons have been born: Charles Sherman, Clarence Roy, and Alvin Pinney, of whom the first two have already entered upon the Masonic footsteps of their honored father. Noble Calderwood's Masonic career began early and has been well rounded by long and active service. It has been crowned with the brightest distinctions, as he is the first among the craft to have been elected to preside over all of the Masonic grand bodies of the State. He was brought to Masonic light in Caspian Lake Lodge No. 87, in Greensboro. Dimitting from it, he joined Passumpsic Lodge No. 27, in St. Johnsbury, in 1878, of which he was elected worshipful master in 1887, 1888, and 1889. He was chosen treasurer in 1892, and has served continuously as such ever since. He was chosen district deputy grand master in 1889, and again in 1890. He was a member of the Finance Committee of the Grand Lodge from 1890 until his election as grand junior warden in 1901. He arrived at the grand east in 1906, and was re-elected in 1907. He retired voluntarily, possessed of the sincere regard and fraternal affection of the fraternity. He was exalted in Haswell Chapter No. 11, in St. Johnsbury, in 1876, and was its high priest from 1890 to 1892. After passing through the line in the Grand Chapter, he was elected grand high priest in 1899, and declined a re-election the next year. He passed the circle in Caledonia Council No. 13, R. & S. M., in 1883; was thrice illustrious master of the same from 1888 until 1890; and was elected most illustrious grand master of the Grand Council in 1898, continuing one term. He was knighted in Palestine Comandery No. 5, April 7, 1885; was elected eminent commander in 1895-96, and after distinguished service during a number of years for the grand commandery, was elected grand commander in 1895. He received the degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in the bodies in St. Johnsbury and Burlington; was for several years thrice potent master of Mizpah Lodge of Perfection; was crowned an honorary member of the Supreme Council, 33°. Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, in 1894, and is at the present time grand prior of the Vermont Council of Deliberation. He was one of the founders of the Vermont Veterans' Masonic Association, and has been its treasurer continuously from its organization in 1892.

ALEXANDER DUNNETT

Attorney, has been a member of the bar since 1877, and connected with the law firm of Dunnett & Slack since 1894. He is a Republican, and has been State's attorney for the county for four years, State senator two years, chairman of the State Republican Convention in 1900, and United States attorney District of Vermont since 1906. He is of Scotch-American birth. Andrew Dunnett, his father, was a Scotchman, and his mother, Christiana Galbraith, an American. He was born in Peacham, Vt., November 29, 1852, attended McIndoe's Academy and Randolph, Vermont Normal School, from which he graduated in 1874, and Boston University Law School. April 29, 1900, he was married to Mrs. Ellen Ward Chalmers, and they reside in St. Johnsbury, Vt. He is a member of the Mystic Club, and his favorite pastimes are hunting and fishing. His Masonic affiliations are with Pulaski Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection, and Delta Chapter of Rose Croix. He was created a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1886.

JOHN A. BECK

In his secret society attachments he combines Freemasonry, Odd Fellowship, and the Mystic Shrine. He is attached to Mt. Sinai Temple, belongs to Caledonia Lodge, I. O. O. F., and has passed through the chair of his lodge, and is likewise Lieutenant Colonel of the Patriarchs Militant. In Masonry he is enrolled in Passumpsic Lodge, Haswell Chapter, Caledonian Council, and Palestine Commandery. He believes in the traditions of the Republican Party. His occupation is that of a blacksmith at the Fairbanks Scales Factory. He attends the Congregational Church, enjoys fishing, and for reading prefers general literature. He was born in Germany, December 31, 1869, and he received his education in that country. His father was Conrad Beck, born in 1837. He was married October 7, 1902, to Margaret M., daughter of Andrew L. and Marinda McFarland.

Harry A. Bartlett

Wm. H. Caldenwood

Lambert H. Barnham

Alexander Adams

John A. Beck

FRANK H. PATRICK

Connected with the Fairbanks Scales Company of St. Johnsbury, Vt., as a metal pattern maker. He is also a skilled machinist, and has followed both lines for the past twenty-three years. He was born in Gorham, Maine, September 19, 1857, and his early education was received in the public schools of his native town, later graduating from Gorham Academy. His father was Charles Patrick, and his mother, Luck P. Googing Patrick. Noble Patrick is a member of Passumpsic Lodge, Haswell R. A. Chapter, and Palestine Commandery, K. T., and dates his connection with Mt. Sinai Temple from March 18, 1902. In addition to his Masonic connections he is also a member of Tremont Lodge of Odd Fellows of Boston, in which he has held all the minor offices; of Massasoit Encampment, and of Mystic Chapter of the Eastern Star. He was married in 1897 to Effie French, daughter of Charles and Susan Leonard French of Turner, Maine. Their home is in St. Johnsbury. In politics he acts with the Republican Party and is an attendant of the Congregational Church.

W. A. RICKER

A prominent cattle dealer of St. Johnsbury, Vt., has been engaged in that business since 1875. He was born in Hardwick, Vt., June 8, 1861, the son of William Ricker, born April 17, 1832, and Lodema Taisey Ricker, born November 3, same year, both of Groton, Vt. His parents are living in Woodsville, N. H. He was educated in Peacham Academy and the Bryant & Stratton Commercial School of Boston. Noble Ricker has the distinction of having been the first school director ever elected in Peacham. He is a Republican and served as representative in the legislature from St. Johnsbury, Vt., for the year 1904. He belongs to Passumpsic Lodge, Haswell R. A. Chapter, and Palestine Commandery, K. T., all of St. Johnsbury; also Mt. Sinai Temple of Montpelier. He was married, January 23, 1884, to Carrie J. Esden of Peacham, and they have two children: Alice L. and Albert A. Ricker. Noble Ricker's only diversion is fishing. He is a member of the United Order of Commercial Travelers, Council 230, and the Mystic Club of St. Johnsbury.

FRED CALVIN GILSON

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born in West Chesterfield, N. H., August 24, 1876, the son of Calvin P. and Ann E. Streeter Gilson, both of Chesterfield. He attended the public schools of Brattleboro, graduating from the high school there in 1895. He is a traveling salesman. His early life was passed in Brattleboro, and he was married in 1899 to Miss Winnie Hodgkins of that town. They have one child, a daughter. He has been with Dunham Bros., wholesale shoe dealers of Brattleboro, ever since he was nineteen years old. He and his family moved to St. Johnsbury in 1902. His daughter, Rhea Cook Gilson, was born October 11, 1902. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge, Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter, Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a past councilor of St. Johnsbury Council, a member of the United Commercial Travelers and of the Grand Council of New England. Noble Gilson was representative to the Imperial Council in 1908.

JOHN M. ALLEN

Medical director of Mt. Sinai Temple, born of American parents in St. Johnsbury, Vt., February 4, 1868. His father was David S. Allen, his mother, Abigail Alvord Allen, is still living. He graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy in 1884. Deciding to follow the medical profession, he entered the medical department of Vermont University, from which he graduated in 1890. He then passed a year in the Bellevue Hospital Medical College, graduating in 1891, and during the past eighteen years has built a large and successful practice. Dr. Allen united with Masonry by joining Passumpsic Lodge, then took degrees in Haswell Chapter, R. A. M.; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and later in Mt. Sinai. April 27, 1893, he was married to Winifred Hall, daughter of Caleb and Laura Rhodes Hall, both of whom are dead. The Republican Party claims Dr. Allen politically, and he is secretary of the United States Board of Examiners. His religious affiliations are with the Congregationalists. Dr. and Mrs. Allen reside at 24 Railroad Street, St. Johnsbury.

HENRY W. HUDSON

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., has carried on a successful tailoring business there for the past thirty-six years, and is the originator of what is known as the Hudson system of cutting. He was born in Concord, Vt., May 7, 1844, and attended the public schools of his native place. He was married, November 7, 1865, to Hannah A. Adams, daughter of Jonathan and Roxana Adams. The former was born May 4, 1811, and the latter November 3, 1814. He has two children: Charles E. Hudson, forty-three years old, and Nina P., who is now twenty-seven. Noble Hudson's father was Joseph T. Hudson, a native of the United States, born in 1819, and his mother was Lydia Farnham Hudson, a native of Canada, born in 1825. He belongs to Moose River Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., entering the latter in 1903. He is a Universalist in his religious belief and a Republican in politics.

F. H. Patrick

Fred C. Gibson

C. A. Bricker

John M. Allen

Henry W. Hudson

REUBEN G. CHENEY

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., is a native of Waterford, Vt., having been born there May 3, 1850. His parents were Danforth and Lois Pike Cheney. He attended the country schools of Vermont, and had charge of a stationary engine in 1866. He went West in 1872, passed twenty years in Missouri and Kansas, first as a locomotive engineer, and then as a stationary engineer. He came back to Vermont in 1891 and became superintendent of the water works in St. Johnsbury, but resigned that office to take a position as stationary engineer with the Fairbanks Scales Company in 1901, which position he now holds. From 1884 to 1891 he was a member of the school board at Atchison, Kan. He is a Republican. He is enrolled in Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. December 19, 1871, he was married to Mary Harriman, daughter of David E. and Jane Sanborn Harriman, and has four children. They are: Mrs. H. B. Carpenter of St. Johnsbury, Chas. R. Cheney of Middlebury, Vt., Mrs. F. J. Edwards of Springfield, Mass., and Joseph J. Cheney of Boston, Mass.

HOMER B. CARPENTER

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born there November 20, 1870, and attended the schools of that place. He has been a painter since 1888, and connected as such with the Fairbanks Scales Company since 1889. His religious faith is Congregational, and in politics he is a Republican. Both his parents are living. They are Hiram B. and Mary E. Magowan Carpenter. Noble Carpenter belongs to Passumpsic Lodge No. 27; Haswell R. A. Chapter No. 11; Palestine Commandery, K. T. No. 5, and Mt. Sinai Temple No. 3. He was married to Cora Cheney, daughter of Reuben G. and Mary Harriman Cheney, September 8, 1897. They have one child, Mary Cheney, eleven years old.

CARL R. SMITH

Connected with the Fairbanks Scales Co. of St. Johnsbury, Vt., as tool dresser. He was born in South Roxton, Quebec, May 20, 1883. He attended schools there, and in Lyndon, Vt. His father, Orlando Whitcomb Smith, was born in Granby, Quebec, December 10, 1845, and his mother was born in Highgate, Vt., July 18, 1851. He was married to Eva Dorothy Cushing, September 28, 1905. She is the daughter of Daniel and Emma Cobleigh Cushing. They have one child, Doris. His wife's father is dead, but her mother is living, a resident of Claremont, N. H. Noble Smith is a member of Crescent Lodge No. 66, Haswell R. A. Chapter No. 11, Palestine Commandery No. 5, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He also belongs to the Knights of Pythias. His home is at 28 Western Avenue, St. Johnsbury.

OLIN D. ADAMS

Of 16 Summer Street, St. Johnsbury, Vt., is a noble of Mt. Sinai Temple. He was born in Newport, Vt., March 25, 1872, the son of Alvin W. and Sarah J. West Adams; both are living. The former was born December 8, 1843, and the mother February 25, 1845. Noble Adams is a laundryman, with which occupation he has been connected seven years. He attended the Newport graded school. In Masonry he has become identified with Passumpsic Lodge: Haswell R. A. Chapter; Haswell Council, R. & S. M.; and Palestine Commandery, K. T. He is also in Caledonia Lodge No. 6, I. O. O. F. He was married December 21, 1892, to Inez M., daughter of D. Alphonso and Susan M. Pike, at Concord, Vt., and their only child was born March 16, 1904. His favorite pastimes are hunting and fishing.

RAY WOODRUFF HOWARD

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born in East Haven April 23, 1880, and attended the public schools of East Concord. His father is Dwight C. Howard of South Barre, Vt., and his mother was Emily Woodruff Howard. He is a member of Passumpsic Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., of St. Johnsbury, Vt., and Mt. Sinai Temple, of Montpelier, Vt. He also belongs to Evening Star Lodge of Odd Fellows, of Newport, Vt., and Memphremagog Lodge, Brotherhood of Railroad Clerks of Newport and both he and his wife are members of Mystic Star Chapter No. 29, Order of the Eastern Star of St. Johnsbury. In politics he is a Republican. He was married January 14, 1903, to Miss Bessie Edna Fox, daughter of Humphrey D. and Lizzie E. Fox, of St. Johnsbury, Vt. Noble Howard has been employed by the Boston & Maine Railroad since the age of twenty-one, and for the past few years has been a clerk in the freight office at St. Johnsbury. His favorite pastimes are fishing and automobiling. He attends the Congregational Church.

R. G. Cheney

Carl L. Smith

Homer B. Carpenter

Otho D. Adams

Ray. W. Howard

EDWARD P. MOULTON

A locomotive engineer on the St. Johnsbury & Lake Champlain Railroad, has followed that occupation ever since 1871, a period of thirty-eight years. He lives at 30 Pearl Street, St. Johnsbury, Vt. He was born in Craftsbury, Vt., September 3, 1845, the son of Arthur D. and Mary Warren Moulton, both Americans. He attended the public schools of St. Johnsbury, and after leaving school took up mechanical engineering. Eight years of his life work, from 1862 to 1870, were passed in the service of the Fairbanks Scales Company as a skilled machinist. He was married to Josephine A. Nutting, daughter of William A. and Caroline Morse Nutting of Danville, Vt., but is now a widower. He has one son, William A. Moulton, born September 5, 1874. A daughter, Mary C. Moulton, born November 10, 1870, died May 30, 1905. Noble Moulton belongs to Passumpsic Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the Shrine April 22, 1896. He is a Republican.

ALEXANDER F. WALCH

Born in East Corinth, Maine, August 31, 1862, and he was reared on a farm, receiving a meager education in the district schools. At the age of eighteen he went to Boston, where he found employment as clerk in a clothing store, and by studying nights fitted himself for college. He entered Tufts Divinity School in the fall of 1882 and graduated in June, 1886, with the degree of B. D. He was ordained to the Universalist ministry as pastor of the First Universalist Church in Methuen, Mass., and has served parishes in Peabody and Attleboro, Mass.; St. Johnsbury, Vt., and is now stationed in Manchester, N. H. Masonically he is affiliated with John Hancock Lodge of Methuen, Mass.; King Hiram R. A. Chapter of Attleboro, Mass.; Palestine Commandery; Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and Mizpah Lodge of Perfection, Scottish Rite, of St. Johnsbury, Vt. He has been active in all the bodies in which he holds membership, and from time to time has held office in them, having been for nearly seven years prelate of Palestine Commandery. In 1888 he was married to Agatha, daughter of the late Prof. Jerome Schneider of Tufts College, and has one daughter, Gertrude, a student in Smith College.

ELIAS C. SEVERANCE

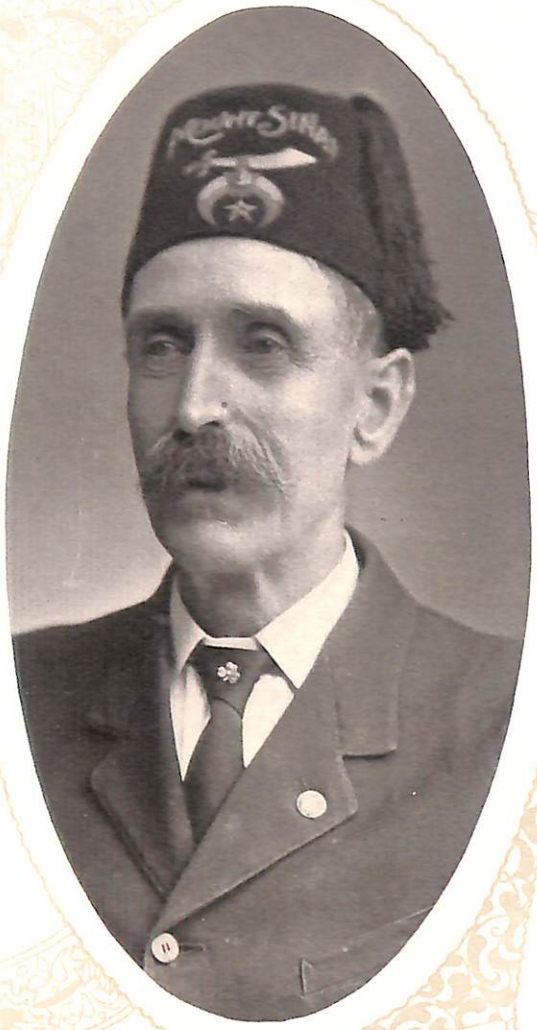
Began work for the Quebec Central Railroad September 11, 1876, and was employed by it four years. In the spring of 1880 he entered the employ of the Boston & Lowell Railroad at Lowell, Mass., and in the spring of 1885 was transferred to St. Johnsbury, Vt., as roadmaster on the St. Johnsbury & Lake Champlain Railroad, and has filled that position for the past twenty-five years. He was born in Huntingville, province of Quebec, Canada, of American parentage. His father, Elias James Severance, was born in 1811; his mother, Julia Cole Severance, was born in 1823. Noble Severance's birthday fell on November 2, 1856, and he attended the schools of Lenoxville, Quebec. He was married November 19, 1890, to Ollie F. Brooks, daughter of Henry and Harriet Cunningham Brooks. His wife's parents are also dead. They have no children. He belongs to Passumpsic Lodge No. 27; Haswell R. A. Chapter No. 11; Caledonia Council No. 13, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1897. He is a Democrat and attends the Universalist Church. He frequently indulges in the pastime of fishing, of which he is very fond. His home is at 79 Railroad Street, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

FRANK LESLIE WILSON

Has been with the Fairbanks Scales Company of St. Johnsbury, Vt., in the capacity of a molder for the past twelve years. He is a native of Cabot, Vt., where he was born February 23, 1865, and attended the public schools of that town. His father, John Wilson, is still living; his mother, Elizabeth Wheeler Wilson, no longer survives. Noble Wilson, in addition to being in Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., is also a member of Passumpsic Lodge, Haswell R. A. Chapter, Caledonia Council, R. & S. M., and Palestine Commandery, K. T. He likewise belongs to the Knights of Pythias.

HENRY R. ALLBEE

Affiliated with these Masonic organizations: Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection, 14°; Montpelier Council, P. of J., 16°; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°; and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He is connected with Caledonian Lodge, I. O. O. F., and in the New England Order of Protection has been trustee twelve years. He was created a Shriner in Mt. Sinai Temple. He was born at Morgan, Vt., December 14, 1852, the son of Cyrus S. and Cynthia Cobb Allbee. His wife was Emma Augusta Bowker, and they were united in marriage in St. Johnsbury, Vt. Her parents were Mitchel and Eliza Kenney Bowker, and her father was connected with the fraternity. Noble Allbee, who lives in St. Johnsbury, has been a policeman, but for the past fifteen years has followed the occupation of machinist. He attended the public schools of West Charleston, Vt., and took a special course as machinist. He worships in the Congregational Church. He is a member of the Republican Town Committee.



E P Moulton

E C Severance

Alexander F. Walch.

Frank L. Wilson

Henry R Allbee

RALPH C. SULLOWAY

Born in St. Johnsbury, Vt., May 4, 1880; his home is at 14 Summer Street of that city. He is the son of Lorenzo and Elizabeth Ranney Sulloway, both native Americans. Noble Sulloway was educated in the local schools of St. Johnsbury and in Brewster Academy, graduating from the latter in 1902. He was married, July 9, 1905, to Ruth W. Hunt, of St. Johnsbury, Vt., daughter of Rev. George W. and Sarah A. Crawford Hunt. He is a Republican, was for seven years a deputy sheriff, and at present is a deputy United States marshal. Besides his Masonic connections he is a member of Mt. Sinai Temple, to which he was admitted in 1904.

JOHN D. BLACKSHAW

A jeweler in St. Johnsbury, Vt., has been connected in that line for seventeen years. He was born in London, England, in 1880, and educated in South Norwood, in that country. His parents were Charles and Margaret Dennison Blackshaw. He is an Episcopalian. He enjoys fishing and general sports. His home Masonic Lodge is Missisquoi, his chapter Haswell; his Cryptic Rite degrees were received in Caledonia Council, and he became a Knight Templar in Palestine Commandery.

H. W. RANDALL

Engaged in the jewelry business at St. Johnsbury, Vt., conducting a store of his own there. His home is at 27 Main Street. He was born in Topsham, Vt., December 7, 1875, the son of Horace and Rose Ann Mills Randall, both of American birth; his mother is living. He received his education in the Newbury Seminary, graduating from that institution in 1904. June 15 of the same year he was married to May Whitcomb, daughter of P. Whitcomb of Springfield, Vt. They have one child, Helen W., who was born June 7, 1908. Noble Randall belongs to Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M., and Palestine Commandery, K. T. His membership was taken in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1901. In addition he is a member of the Knights of Pythias. He votes the Republican ticket.

AZRO M. PECK

Born in St. Johnsbury, Vt., September 28, 1864, has lived in that place all his life, and has been engaged since the year 1885 in farming for himself. That has been his life work. He was the son of Elisha and Elizabeth Warden Peck. His father, Elisha Peck, died in his seventy-ninth year, and his mother, Elizabeth Warden Peck, passed away in 1886. He attended the St. Johnsbury public schools. He was married January 19, 1876, to Rosell Houghton, the daughter of Abel Houghton. His wife died December 30, 1903, after two months' illness, leaving him with one child, Minnie E. He is a member of Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonian Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and since July 2, 1908, has been in Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also connected with the Grange and is a past chaplain of that order. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational Church, and he is a Republican.

EDMUND P. HAMILTON

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born in Groton, Vt., August 20, 1875, the son of Rev. Joseph Hamilton, a native of Canada, and Charlotte E. Packer Hamilton, a native of St. Johnsbury, both parents are living and reside in Randolph, Vt. He graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy in 1894 and took up his present profession of accountant. He is now assistant paymaster for E. & T. Fairbanks Co. His wife's maiden name was Lillian M. Buswell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar S. Buswell of St. Johnsbury, Vt., and they were married September 3, 1902. He is a member of Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He likewise belongs to the Eastern Star, and the New England Order of Protection. He is fond of driving. His religious affiliations are with the Methodist Church, and he votes the Republican ticket.

Ralph C. Sulloway

N. W. Randall

John A. Blackshaw

Azro M. Peck

E. P. Hamilton

FRED P. COLE

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born in Milan, N. H., February 9, 1863, and attended the public schools of West Milan. His parents were George W. and Emily J. Cole. He has been railroading since 1888, and for the past eighteen years has been a conductor on the St. Johnsbury & Lake Champlain Railroad. He belongs to North Star Lodge of Lancaster, N. H.; Haswell, R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., of St. Johnsbury, Vt., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of the Order of Railway Conductors of Lyndonville, Vt., and belongs to Coos Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Lancaster, N. H. In politics he is a Republican. He is a bachelor, and his greatest pleasure is traveling, both in the United States and in England and Scotland.

OLA H. HENDERSON

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was the son of Rev. Moses C. and Susan A. Wood Henderson. He was born in Corinth, Vt., March 21, 1857, and studied in the commercial department of the New Hampshire Institute at New Hampton, N. H., graduated from there in 1875 and entered the railroad service. For thirty-four years he has been a railroad agent in the same office. He was married to Miss Clara J. Smith, daughter of Thomas V. and Betsey Smith, March 21, 1878. He has four children living. They are: A. Isabella, Edith G. (Mrs. M. E. Davidson of St. Johnsbury), Lilian E. (Mrs. F. H. Dolloff of St. Johnsbury), Marion V., and Pearl V. Noble Henderson belongs to Passumpsic Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of the Odd Fellows, holding the rank of past grand master, past grand patriarch, past department commander, and is the present grand secretary of Vermont. He is connected with the Baptist Church, and is a Republican.

FRED C. BECK

Cashier of the E. & T. Fairbanks Co., of St. Johnsbury, Vt. He is a Republican and a Congregationalist. He was born in St. Johnsbury, January 28, 1878. His parents, John and Veronica Book Beck, are of German nativity. He graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy in 1895. His marriage took place June 10, 1903, to Mildred Houston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Houston, of Troy, Vt. They have one child, Royce Frederick. Noble Beck, who belongs to Mt. Sinai Temple, is the present eminent commander of Palestine Commandery No. 5, K. T., of St. Johnsbury; is in Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell Chapter, and Caledonia Council. Gunning and fishing are his chief relaxations.

MARSHALL E. McCLARY

For nearly four years was the head of a large clothing house in St. Johnsbury, Vt. He was a native of the town of Albany, Vt., where he was born April 1, 1876, the son of Hayden A. and Ellen D. Shedd McClary, both of whom are living. His father was born September 24, 1849, and his mother April 18, 1847. He attended the Craftsburg schools and Hardwick (Vt.) Academy, graduated from the latter institution May 18, 1885, and entered mercantile life. For nine years he was a clerk for Charles Haskell Walcott. He was a member of Mineral Lodge of Walcott, Vt.; the R. A. Chapter of St. Johnsbury (to which he was dimitted from Tucker Chapter of Morrisville); Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., to which he was admitted in 1904. Noble McClary is now a member of the Unseen Temple.

HARRY V. CONLY

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born there June 8, 1870. His father, John E., and mother, Diantha Conly, were of English birth. He attended the public schools, and in 1887 entered the employ of the M. J. Hinds foundry for the purpose of learning the molder's trade, after which he engaged with E. & T. Fairbanks Co., where he is now foreman of the brass foundry. He was married December 7, 1898, to Mary E. Beck, daughter of John and Veronica Beck of St. Johnsbury. They have one son, Howard F. Conly. Noble Conly is a member of Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a Congregationalist. His favorite sport is fishing.

F. P. Cole

J. H. Beck

O. H. Henderson

Marshall E. Cary

N. P. Conly

LYMAN P. HARRIMAN

Born in Peacham, Vt., February 5, 1857, the son of Alvin and Angelia Pattridge Harriman. Since 1872 he has been employed in the iron foundry of the Fairbanks Scales Co., since 1901 foreman in the foundry department, having followed that line of work since he attained manhood. He was married, September 19, 1879, to Anna C. Cook of Granby, province of Quebec, and has two children: Nelson S., born in 1881, and Florence Edith, born in 1884. He is a member of Passumpsic Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered March 18, 1902. He is an Episcopalian, and votes with the Republican Party.

HARRY E. GRAY

An enthusiastic member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1906. He was born in Lunenburg, Vt., April 10, 1871, the son of Charles Gray and Lena Morgan Gray. Noble Gray is unmarried and resides in St. Johnsbury. He has been engaged in the wood and coal business at 77 Portland Street since 1905. He was educated in the public schools of Vermont, and when he finished his education, entered the employ of the Bartlett Lumber Company, where he remained for three years, going thence to Maine, where for six years he was engaged in the lumber and painting business. He returned to St. Johnsbury in 1905 to enter business on his own account, and has been highly successful. While in Maine he was brought to light in Masonry in Blazing Star Lodge, to which he still belongs. He was exalted in Rumford R. A. Chapter, and was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Strathgrass Commandery. He is also an Odd Fellow, and a member of the lodge at Bartlett, N. H. In politics he is Independent. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

DAVID E. PORTER

Chairman of the School Board of St. Johnsbury, Vt., is a native of Wisconsin, and was born in Oshkosh, that State, July 16, 1872. His father is Perry Porter, and his mother was Electra Prull Porter, both American born. Noble Porter received his education in the St. Johnsbury Academy and the University of Michigan, and graduated from that well-known institution of learning in 1894, after taking a special course in the Law School. He at once entered the legal profession and has been in the active practice of the law ever since. He has, in the meantime, served as state's attorney for his county, and as referee in bankruptcy. He was married October 1, 1902, to Amelia Wolff, daughter of Frederick A. and Isabelle J. Henness Wolff. They have three children: Isabelle, born July 6, 1903; Charlotte, born October 2, 1905, and Nellie, born September 28, 1906. His Masonic connections are with Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter, and Palestine Commandery, K. T. In Mt. Sinai Temple he dates his membership from 1902. He is a member of the Mystic Club of St. Johnsbury, is a Republican, and fishing is his favorite diversion.

EDWARD A. HART

A level filer with the Fairbanks Scales Co. of St. Johnsbury, where he has been for the past five years; was born in Montreal, Canada, May 23, 1860. He was a locomotive engineer for twenty-one years and holds a membership in the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. His parents are both Americans. They are George A. and Mary L. Abbott Hart, the former being seventy-nine years old and the latter seventy-five. He was educated in St. Johnsbury Academy, and belongs to Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He attends the Universalist Church, while his political affiliations are with the Republican Party. He was married January 20, 1891, to Luella E. Barrows, daughter of Gilman A. and Ellen McManimon Barrows.

HENRY E. KOEPKE

A Noble in Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., was initiated into its mysteries May 2, 1907. He is now employed by the Fairbanks Scales Co., under whose direction he has labored for the past twenty-eight years. He is an independent politician and a Methodist by profession of faith. He was born September 13, 1846, in the city of Muskau, Germany, the son of Adolph F. and Christnia Janke Koepke. His wife was Miss Martha A. Gould, the daughter of James A. and Martha Smith Gould, of Barnet, Vt. Three children were born to them, all of whom are living, namely, Charles F., born December 13, 1868; Edward E., born March 22, 1871, and Emma May, born February 16, 1884. Noble Koepke is affiliated with Passumpsic Lodge No. 27, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter No. 11; Caledonia Council No. 13, R. & S. M., and Palestine Commandery No. 5, K. T. He is also a charter member of Green Mountain Lodge No. 49, New England Order of Protection.

Lyman P. Hamlin

David E. Porter

Harry E. Gray

Edward A. Hall

Henry E. Hopkins

WILLIAM ALONZO BURKE

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., is a native of Munson Mass., and was born October 27, 1849, the son of Edward D. and Mary Jane Burke, both of American birth. His mother, who was born in 1829, is living. He attended the public schools of Springfield, Mass., and when about nineteen years old took up the barber business, which he has ever since followed, conducting it for himself. He was married December 4, 1872, to Alice A. Blake, daughter of Mark F. Blake of St. Johnsbury. They have no children. He joined Passumpsic Lodge, F. & A. M., October 15, 1883, and later became connected with Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; the Lodge of Perfection; Council of Princes of Jerusalem; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and entered Mt. Sinai Temple July 9, 1895. June 14, 1905, he became a member of the Masonic Veteran Association. He attends the Congregational Church, and in politics is a Republican. His home is at 70 Railroad Street, St. Johnsbury.

FRANK W. BALL

A merchant of St. Johnsbury and a member of the Berry-Ball Dry Goods Company of that town. He was born in Sutton, Vt., June 24, 1865, the son of American parents,—Albert H. Ball, born in 1835, and Malinda Eastman Ball, born in 1833. He received his education in the Lyndon Institute. June 21, 1895, he was married to Ella F. Jewett, daughter of Gorham and Caroline Farnsworth Jewett. His wife's parents are dead, but his own are living. He resides at 40 Spring Street, St. Johnsbury. There are no children. Noble Ball belongs to Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1903. He attends the Congregational Church and is a Republican.

RALPH B. HOOKER

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., is a native of that city, where he was born February 2, 1885; both his parents are living. His father, Frank B. Hooker, a native of Cabot, Vt., was born in 1857, while his mother, whose maiden name was Mary Bell Bagley, is a native of St. Johnsbury and was born in 1862. Noble Hooker, after attending the public schools, entered St. Johnsbury Academy, and was graduated from that institution in 1903. In 1904 he became connected with the firm of O. V. Hooker & Son of St. Johnsbury, and is now its sales agent and treasurer. He is one of the youngest members of Mt. Sinai Temple, to which he was admitted in 1907. His Masonic connections embrace membership in Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter, and Palestine Commandery, K. T. May, 1908, he became a member of the United Commercial Travelers of America, and in March, 1909, he was admitted to that well-known southern and western organization, the Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoo. He was married, June 1, 1907, to Bertha Willis Lothrop, daughter of Edwin H. Lothrop, a native of Jay, Maine, and Mary A. Baldwin Lothrop, a native of Barnston, province of Quebec. He is fond of motoring and boating as diversions. He is a Republican and attends the Congregational Church.

HIRAM MOODY LAIRD

A stone manufacturer of St. Johnsbury, was born in East Barton, Mass., in 1857. He is a hardy, canny Scotchman, and is a scion of a family whose members for many generations have been stone dealers in their native Scotland. He graduated from Peacham (Vt.) Academy, and early learned the trade of a stonecutter, later establishing himself in his present business, which he has conducted successfully for a period of thirty-six years. He was married to Clara D. Ward, of Danville, Vt., and five children have blessed the union. They are: Caroline, wife of Frank H. Taylor; Hiram Jefferson, deceased; Thaxter and Ralph Waldo, foremen in the business; and Elizabeth Moody, a student in the University of Vermont. In politics he is a Republican. He is a member of Washburn Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple. Noble Laird's religious affiliations are with the Presbyterian Church, and his parents and ancestors were also of the same faith in their native Scotland.

C. A. CRAMTON, M. D.

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born in Winooski, Vt., July 1, 1872. He is a physician and surgeon, being a specialist in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. He was graduated from the University of Vermont in 1893, later pursuing special studies in Europe. His parents were Dr. J. O. and Charlotte E. Ward Cramton, now deceased. In 1896 he was married to Miss Gertrude Howe, daughter of B. G. and Nancy Chase Howe of St. Johnsbury, Vt. They have three children: Gertrude, Edward Allen, and Marjory. He is a member of Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. In addition he belongs to the Odd Fellows, and is in Caledonian Lodge, K. of P. He is an Episcopalian in religious belief, a Republican in politics, and is much devoted to automobiling.

William A. Burke

R. T. Hooker

Frank W. Ball

Hiram M. Laird

C. Kramton

ALFRED L. BRAGG

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born in Thetford, July 10, 1850. His parents were William H. and Irene Putnam Bragg. He attended the Bradford High School. He is a contractor and builder, into which business he entered in 1889. He has been chief of the fire department for the past twenty-five years. He was married in 1869, to Miss Lucy W. Lucas of Richford, Vt., daughter of Benjamin and Martha Lucas, and of this union there were two children: Nellie M. Bertrand and Bertha M. He belongs to Passumpsic Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is likewise affiliated with Oddfellowship, holding membership in Caledonia Lodge and in the local encampment. He is an adherent of the Republican Party.

ROBERT P. PORTER

A retired merchant of West Burke, Vt., was born in Waterford, Vt., June 5, 1843, the son of Robert Perry and Abigail Hutchinson Porter, both of American birth. He received his education in St. Johnsbury Academy. In a public capacity he has served as a member of the Republican County Committee, as a constable and collector for Burke, a justice of the peace, a notary, and from 1886 to 1904 as deputy sheriff. He enlisted in the Civil War in November, 1861, leaving the service in 1865, as first lieutenant Co. K, 8th Vermont Infantry. In 1895 he was made senior vice-commander of the State department, G. A. R., and he is a member of the military order of the Loyal Legion. He has been married twice. October 19, 1865, he united in marriage with Electra V. Trull, and of this union there were four children: Fred T., a merchant in West Burke; Nellie A., wife of the late Ray Ruggles; David E., a lawyer in St. Johnsbury, and Grace May, who died at the age of seven. His second marriage was February 14, 1899, with Margaret M. Macartnie. There are no children by this union. Noble Porter belongs to Caledonia Lodge of West Burke; Keystone R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M., Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He entered the temple in 1902. He is a past grand master of the Odd Fellows.

R. B. GAMMELL

Present postmaster at East Barnet, Vt., having held the office for some time past. He was born in Barnet, Vt., February 11, 1845, the son of Alexander H. and Mary M. Mulliken Gammell, his mother being a native of Thetford, Vt. He received his education in Barnet Academy. For fifteen years prior to removing to East Barnet, October 1, 1907, or between 1888 and 1903, he conducted a store, and also a hotel at Danville, Vt., from 1893 to 1908. In addition to being postmaster, he has a general store in East Barnet, and also follows the business of an auctioneer. In 1878 he built and managed a store at East Barnet, for fifteen years and sold out in 1893; purchased the Elm House in Danville, Vt., and carried it on fifteen years, and in 1908 bought the store back in East Barnet. His favorite author is Shakespeare, of whose works he is a devoted student. He was married to Emma Atlanta Blake, daughter of William and Susan H. French Blake of Sanbornton, N. H. They have five children: R. B. Gammell, Jr., born in 1886; A. H. Gammell, born in 1888; G. C. Gammell, born in 1892; H. B. Gammell, born in 1894, and Belle A. Gammell, born in 1896. Noble Gammell belongs to Washburn Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; St. Johnsbury Lodge of Perfection, and joined Mt. Sinai Temple A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1893, having been chief of patrol of the temple for eight years. He is also noble grand in Connecticut River Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Barnet, and a member of Damon Lodge, K. of P., of Danville.

GEORGE A. BURBANK

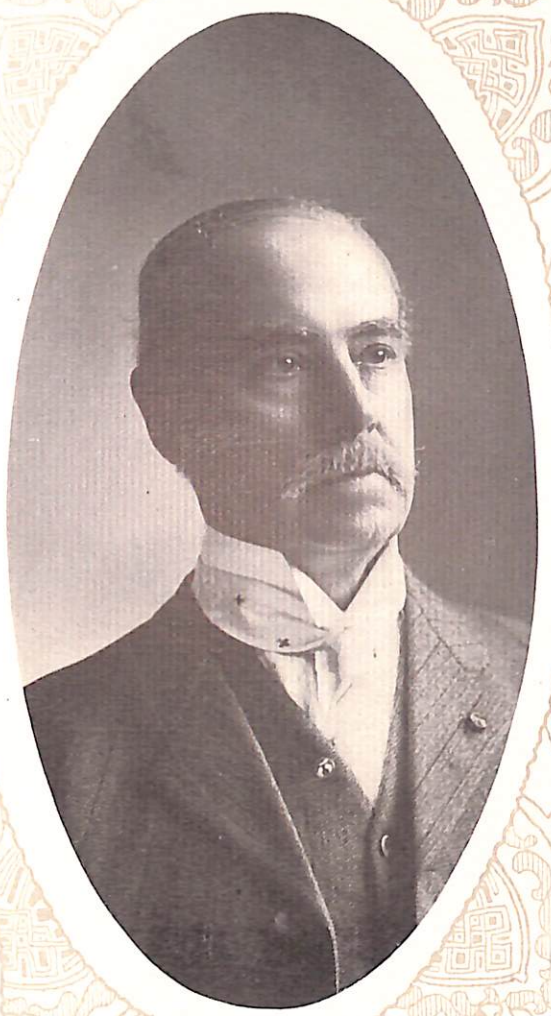
Of St. Johnsbury, is a noble of Mt. Sinai Temple whose membership dates from March 18, 1902. He is a Canadian by birth, the son of Almon H. Burbank and Hannah A. Brock, and was born at Danville, in the province of Quebec, July 29, 1865. Noble Burbank was educated in Danville Academy, from which he graduated in 1881. Soon afterwards he removed to St. Johnsbury, and for the past twenty-five years he has been connected with the American Fork and Hoe Co., being superintendent of the plant. He married, December 28, 1888, Nettie I. Carr, daughter of Martin and Margaret Howe Carr, and to this union two children have been born: Almon C., sixteen years old, and Agnes J., thirteen years old. Noble Carr is Republican in politics and served for two years as chairman of the Board of Trustees of St. Johnsbury. He resides at 73 Concord Avenue. He is a member of the Congregational Church. Fishing and hunting are his favorite pastimes. The Masonic career of Noble Burbank was begun in Passumpsic Lodge No. 27, and he was exalted to the Royal Arch in Haswell Chapter No. 11. He labored in the ninth arch in Caledonia Council No. 13, R. & S. M., and received the Order of the Temple and the appended orders in Palestine Commandery No. 5, K. T.

WILLIAM JOHNSON

Another of the nobles who reached Mt. Sinai's portals through the medium of Palestine Commandery No. 5, Knights Templar. He is a native of Salem, Vt., where he was born June 11, 1858. He was educated at St. Johnsbury, Vt., and afterwards learned the painting trade. For thirty-three years he has been engaged as a painter and decorator, and in this work has met with great success. By his untiring energy and strict attention to business he has built up a trade which covers a wide area. Noble Johnson is a bachelor. He sought Masonry when a young man, and knocked at the door of Passumpsic Lodge No. 27, in which he was duly entered, passed, and raised. In time he sought the capitular degrees and was advanced and exalted in Haswell R. A. Chapter No. 11. The cryptic degrees were conferred upon him by Caledonia Council, R. S. & M. The Order of the Red Cross and the Order of the Temple, with the appended orders of Malta, Rhodes and Palestine, were conferred upon him in Palestine Commandery. In May, 1899, Sir Knight Johnson was received into the nobility of the Mystic Shrine, and since that time has never failed to make obeisance before the sacred black stone of Mecca. He is an enthusiastic member of the temple and is seldom missing when a caravan is formed and a ceremonial session held.

A L Bragg

R B Grimmell



Robert C. Porter

G. A. Burbank

Wm Johnson

ELISHA BIGELOW

A conductor on the Boston & Maine Railroad since 1881, and has always followed the fortunes of the Democratic Party. His home town of Lyndonville, Vt., has often selected him for office, naming him at different times selectman, trustee of the village, and auditor of the town and village. He has been a justice of the peace. He was born in Lyndon, August 14, 1857, the son of Calvin D. and Mary A. Sanborn Bigelow. His mother is living. He was graduated from Lyndon Institute in 1877. His wife was A. Lulu House of Stanstead, Quebec, daughter of James and Mary House. The marriage took place in 1884. Apart from his attendance on the fraternities to which he belongs, a part of his time is given to reading. These are his society affiliations; Crescent Lodge F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter, Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.

ERNEST F. CLARK

Of Groton, Vt., was born there August 6, 1883, and graduated from the Montpelier High School in 1902. His father, was Benjamin F. Clark; his mother, whose maiden name was Emma Jane Coffin, is still living. He was married, November 4, 1903, to Miss Minnie G. Adams, daughter of James A. and Eliza Adams of Groton. They have one child, Benjamin F. Clark, born April 4, 1906. Noble Clark is a Democrat. He was town auditor in 1906-07, and town treasurer in 1908. He is a member of the firm of Clark & Davidson, flour and grain dealers, and owners of the electric plant. He belongs to Pulaski Lodge, F. & A. M., of Wells River; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter of Bradford; Palestine Commandery, K. T., of St. Johnsbury; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection of Montpelier; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J., of Montpelier; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a past chancellor of Caledonia Lodge, K. of P., and a member of Camp 8514 Modern Woodmen of America, of which he is chief forester and manager. He is a Methodist.

CHARLES S. DOLE

Born in Danville, Vt., February 18, 1861, of American parentage. His father was Eleazer J. Dole, and his mother, Mary A. Farnsworth Dole. He was educated in St. Johnsbury Academy. His religious affiliations are with the Congregationalists. Politically he is a Republican, and held the position of postmaster four years and town clerk and treasurer from 1893 to 1897, and now keeps a general merchandise store. He was married, February 24, 1887, to Alice E. Hamblet, daughter of Edson and Eliza Nye, both of whom are dead. They have one son, Charles H., connected with his father in business. A daughter died in infancy. His Masonic connections are with Washburn Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter, and Palestine Commandery, K. T. He became a member of Mt. Sinai Temple in 1898. He conducts a general store in his native town.

OREN G. CHASE

Proprietor of Chase's Hotel, Lyndonville, Vt., has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1903. He is widely popular with all members of the nobility, and his caravansary is a favorite stopping place of the pilgrims. He was born at Plymouth, N. H., December 10, 1842, and was educated in Vermont. His father was Daniel P. Chase, a Baptist minister, and his mother was born Dolly R. Randlett. He married at Concord, Vt., February 17, 1866, Sarah M. Hutchinson, by whom he had one con, Ernest B. Chase, born December 21, 1874. Noble Chase served in the Civil War in Company A, Eleventh Vermont Heavy Artillery. His vocation has always been that of a railroad engineer and hotel man, and in this work he has been eminently successful. He was trustee of the village for six years and is now serving his sixth year as one of the trustees of the Electric Light Company of Lyndonville. Noble Chase was brought to light in Masonry in Passumpsic Lodge and was exalted in Haswell R. A. Chapter. He labored in the ninth arch in Caledonia Council, R. & S. M., and was dubbed and created a Knight Templar and a Knight of Rhodes, Palestine, and Malta in Palestine Commandery. Noble Chase is also a member of the Scottish Rite, of the Eastern Star at Lyndonville, Vt., and of the Grand Army Post at St. Johnsbury, Vt.

CHARLES L. STUART

Town clerk and treasurer of Lyndonville, Vt., for the past six years, has also conducted a successful coal trade in that town for a number of years. He has likewise served as a justice of the peace, and is a Republican. He was born in Ascot Corner, province of Quebec, Canada. His father was Charles S. LeBourveau, a native of Canada, while his mother, Lucy Winslow LeBourveau, was an American. He attended the public schools of West Burke, Vt. Twenty-five years ago, before entering business, he was a train dispatcher. He is a member of Crescent Lodge No. 66; Haswell R. A. Chapter No. 11; Caledonia Council No. 13, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery No. 6, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection; Vermont Consistory 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He holds membership in the Lyndon Club and his favorite pastimes are automobiling and golf. He was married to Hattie W. Thompson, daughter of Sumner S. and Harriet Wiley Thompson, and they have two sons: Arthur T. and Sumner C. Stuart. His name was at first Charles Stuart Le Bourveau, but after some years' residence in Vermont he had it changed to Charles LeBourveau Stuart. He is a member of the Congregational Church.

FRED S. HARRIMAN

Son of Sprague E. and Lucia Livingston Harriman, and was born in Peacham, Vt., October 19, 1855. His home is at 7 Summer street, St. Johnsbury, Vt., in which city he has lived for many years. He was a farmer about forty years, but in 1901 took up the business of a liveryman, which he has since conducted. He is a Republican and has filled the office of selectman of the town of Peacham for three years, became a deputy sheriff on December 1, 1906, a deputy fish and game warden October 1, 1908, and a health officer February 15, 1909. He has also been a village trustee. His education was received in the Peacham Academy. His wife, to whom he was married January 8, 1883, was Miss May H. Emerson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Emerson of Peacham. They have no children. Noble Harriman belongs to Passumpsic Lodge, Haswell R. A. Chapter, Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of the New England Order of Protection. His favorite form of recreation is riding and driving.

E. Bigelow

C. S. Dole

Ernest F. Clark.

Oren G. Chase

Chas L. Stewart

FRED C. SHONYO

Of Lyndonville, Vt., was born in that town January 27, 1878, the son of L. F. and Susan M. Greenlief; his father survives. He was educated at Lyndon Institute, graduating from there in 1892. He was married, January 1, 1894, in East Barnet, Vt., to Annie L. Dickinson, daughter of Curtis Dickinson, a native of Bath, N. H., and Flora Lang Dickinson, a native of Barnet. They have two children: Lewis D., born May 7, 1896, and Howard G., born June 3, 1906. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple June 30, 1903, and also belongs to Crescent Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M., and Palestine Commandery, K. T. He is also past chancellor of Olympia Lodge, K. of P., and past grand prelate of the Grand Lodge of Vermont. In politics he is a Republican, and both himself and wife are members of the Congregational Church. He has always followed the occupation of farmer since beginning his working life. Newspapers and magazines constitute his favorite form of reading.

AUSTIN D. PAIGE

Of Lyndonville, Vt., chief train dispatcher in that town for the Boston & Maine Railroad. He is a native of Compton, province of Quebec, Canada, and was born December 23, 1856, the son of American parents: Daniel Waldo Paige, born in 1804, and Sarah Smith Paige, born in 1814. He was educated at Compton Academy, and began his service as a railroad man in 1873, rising to his present position of chief train dispatcher at Lyndonville. For the past two years he has filled the position of chairman of the Republican Town Committee, and has been a water commissioner of the village for the past fourteen years. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1894, and likewise belongs to Crescent Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection; Montpelier Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. July 22, 1880, he was married to Ella S. Bemis, daughter of Ira W. and Laura A. Day Bemis. They have no children. Noble Paige is fond of motoring and out-of-door sports. He attends the Episcopal Church and is a member of the Lyndon Club.

FRED H. DAVIS, M. D.

Of Lyndonville, Vt., born in Westmore, Vt., September 22, 1857. His father was Leander Davis, and his mother Mary Jacobs Davis. He went to the public schools of Burke, Vt., and graduated from Hahnemann Medical College, Chicago, in March, 1890. He has been a practicing physician eighteen years. He was married January 11, 1883, to Julia S. Ayer, daughter of Joseph D. and Helen M. Goss Ayer, and has one child, Karl A. Davis. He belongs to Crescent Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He also holds membership in the I. O. O. F., the Red Men, and is a member of the Lyndon Club.

HARRY P. SILSBY

Of Lyndonville, Vt., born in West Burke, Vt., September 14, 1879, attended the public schools of Lyndonville, and graduated in 1897. He comes of American parentage; his father, Frank W. Silsby, and his mother Nancy R. Watson Silsby, who was born December 4, 1850. Both are living. He holds a clerical position in Lyndonville and is a member of the Lyndon Club. He belongs to Crescent Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He was married June 2, 1902, to Blanche E. Campbell, daughter of Gilbert M. and Mary Eaton Campbell of Lyndonville, and one child has been born to them, Eunice Ruth Campbell. He attends the Congregational Church and in politics is a Republican.

FRANK W. SILSBY

A dry goods merchant of Lyndonville, Vt., which business he has been conducting for the past twelve years. He was born in Lunenburg, Vt., November 3, 1849, of American parents: Levi Silsby, born in 1820, and Susan Powers Silsby. He was educated in the Methodist Seminary, and on December 25, 1876, was married to Nancy R. Watson, daughter of Larned and Eunice Watson, both of whom are dead. Two children have been born to them, Harry P. and Isabelle E. As a Republican he served as a representative in the Vermont Legislature in 1896. He has been lister several times and trustee of the village. He belongs to Passumpsic Lodge No. 27; Haswell R. A. Chapter No. 11; Caledonia Council No. 13, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery No. 5, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection; Montpelier Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in 1894. He is a member of the Lyndon Club and is fond of fishing and motor boating.

JOHN E. CONLY

Of West Danville, Vt., a native of Lowell, Mass., where he was born April 11, 1855. He went to the St. Johnsbury schools and has been in the stone business for thirty-five years. At present he is a member of the firm of Goss & Conly stone manufacturers, formed in 1902. His father and mother were both English, being John E. and Dianna Norris Conly, they were born in 1834. He is a member of Washburn Lodge, Haswell R. A. Chapter, Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He also belongs to the Odd Fellows, New England Order of Protection, and the Red Men. He was married December 23, 1880, to Nancy J. Prescott, daughter of John and Frelove Prescott, both of whom are dead. He has one son, Raymond H. Conly, twenty years old. Noble Conly is an Episcopalian and in politics a Democrat.

Fred C. Shoup.

F. A. Davis M.D.

A. D. Paige.

Harry P. Silsby

Frank W. Silsby

JOHN B. WATCHIE

Of West Burke, Vt., was born in St. Louis, province of Quebec, Canada, September 10, 1850. He was the son of Moses and Henrietta Girouard Watchie, both natives of Canada. He moved to West Burke when seventeen years of age and there learned the blacksmith trade. At the age of twenty-two he entered into the blacksmith and carriage business. September 20, 1870, he was married to Frances M. Boothe, daughter of William and Ann A. Boothe. Three sons were born to them, only one of whom, L. Maynard Watchie, is living. He served on the board of selectmen in his town; was trustee of public money and chairman of the village trustees for several years. After a successful career of thirty-six years he retired from active business. Noble Watchie is a past master of Caledonia Lodge, F. & A. M.; is also a member of Keystone R. A. Chapter and Palestine Commandery, K. T. and enrolled in Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered in 1899.

DAVID McNAUGHTON

Of Hardwick, Vt., was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, November 10, 1871, the son of David and Janet Wright McNaughton of Glasgow, Scotland. He is at present with the Union Granite Co., entering their employ in 1906. Previous to that time he was with the Woodbury Granite Company for seven years, employed as a tool maker. Noble McNaughton is a member of Bay View Lodge No. 120, F. & A. M.; Hiram R. A. Chapter No. 29, and Lamoille Commandery No. 13, K. T. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1908. He is high priest of Hiram Chapter, having held that office since 1905; also a past prelate of his commnadery. He is a member of the Keystone Club and has served as trustee of the Village of Hardwick since 1908. He was married in Lowell, Mass., in June, 1900, to Isabel Gardner Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bell. They have no children. He and his wife are members of Riverside Chapter No. 32, O. E. S., of which she is a past matron. He is a great lover of outdoor sports, particularly to baseball, and is interested in modern invention and discoveries.

CEPHAS J. TREFREN

A retired farmer of Lyndonville, Vt., was born in St. Johnsbury, that State, May 21, 1842, the son of James and Emeline Roberts Trefren, both of American birth. His father was born March 15, 1817, and his mother, May 22, 1815. He received his education in Lyndon Academy, and March 18, 1867, was married to Amanda C. Powers, daughter of Johiel and Mary Richardson Powers. They have two children: Juana A., now Mrs. H. S. Graves of Lyndonville, and Frank J. Trefren. Noble Trefren entered Mt. Sinai Temple, February 8, 1898. His Masonic connections are with Crescent Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; St. Johnsbury Lodge of Perfection; Burlington Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. For nine years he was town collector and for fourteen years deputy sheriff. He is a Democrat, and in religious faith a Universalist. As a means of recreation he is fond of both hunting and fishing, and driving a fairly good horse. He and his family pass the summer season at "The Gobi" cottage, Willoughby Lake, in the town of Westmore, Orleans County, Vt.

LOUIS S. ROBIE

Of Hardwick, Vt., is in the grain and feed business in that town, and has carried it on since 1903. He was in the same line for nine years in Bristol, N. H., prior to his removal to Hardwick. He is a native of Bristol, where he was born January 30, 1871, and attended the public schools of that place, later taking a special course in New Hampton Business College. His father, George A. Robie, and his mother, Sarah E. Nelson Robie, both natives of New Hampshire, are still living. He was married in Bristol, February 12, 1892, to Lettie E. Ford, daughter of Isaac N. and Etta E. McGrath Ford of Groton, N. H. Two children have been born to them: Gladys, whose birth occurred July 8, 1897, and Ethel Marguerite, born September 21, 1899. Noble Robie embraces in his line of reading the leading magazines, newspapers, and general literature. His home is on South Main Street, Hardwick. He is a member of Union Lodge of Bristol; Hiram R. A. Chapter of Hardwick; Palestine Commandery, K. T., of St. Johnsbury, and Mt. Sinai Temple, joining the latter in 1908. He is a Republican.

CARROLL W. STAPLES, D. D. S

Born in Hardwick, Vt., August 30, 1868, the son of Henry G. and Ellen A. Dodge Staples. His mother alone survives, and she is living in Lyndon, Vt. After attending the public schools he entered the medical department of the University of Michigan, graduating from there June 26, 1889. As a boy he began to learn dentistry in his father's office, and is now practicing that profession, with an office in the Pierce Building in Copley Square, Boston, while his home is at 10 Ashford Street, Allston, a part of Boston. He was married August 5, 1890, in Glover, Vt., to Bessie Cook of that town. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple June 30, 1903, and is also affiliated with Crescent Lodge No. 66, of Lyndonville; Haswell R. A. Chapter, and Palestine Commandery, K. T., of St. Johnsbury. He is a member of the Massachusetts Club, the Boston City Club, the Mercantile Library Association, and the Vermont Association of Boston. As a Republican he is a member of his ward committee in Boston. As is natural to one holding membership in such prominent organizations he is extremely fond of club life.

J. B. Watchie

Cephas J. Trefren

D. McNaughton

L. S. Robie

Carroll. W. Staples

GEORGE W. MORISON

Of Manchester, N. H., is a native of Marbleton, province of Quebec, Canada, and was born July 7, 1870. His father, was James Morison, born August 8, 1840, at Rhynie, Scotland, and his mother, Georgiana Harper Morison, was born May 25, 1842, in the parish of Marney, Banff, Scotland, and is still living. He attended the public schools of St. Johnsbury, Vt., graduating from the grammar school in 1884, and then passed a year and a half in St. Johnsbury Academy. From 1888 to 1904 he followed the machine business, working in shops at Manchester, N. H., and Providence, R. I., then worked as carpenter in Hardwick, Vt., for about five years, and since September 9, 1909, has been connected with the Chandler Planer Co. of Ayer, Mass. (working at his trade as a tool-maker). He belongs to Caspian Lake Lodge No. 87, and Hiram R. A. Chapter No. 29, of Hardwick, Vt.; Lamoille Commandery, K. T. No. 13, of Morrisville, which he joined November 15, 1907. He is unmarried, is a member of the Congregational Church, and his home is at 334 East Spruce Street. He is very fond of hunting and fishing as a means of recreation, while his reading is chiefly devoted to scientific works and sportsmen's magazines and books.

J. VERNON DUTTON

Born in Walden, Vt., July 19, 1868, and educated in Hardwick Academy and St. Johnsbury Academy. His parents were Ephraim D. Dutton, and Susan Houston. He was married to Nellie A. Wakefield of St. Stephen, N. B., daughter of Charles A. and Carrie E. Coffran Wakefield. There were two daughters of this union: Beulah V., born in 1893, and Frances C., born in 1897. He is a member in the following Masonic bodies: Caspian Lake Lodge, F. & A. M.; Hiram R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He is grand junior warden of the Grand Lodge of Vermont. His temple in the Shrine is Mt. Sinai. He is general manager of the Hardwick & Woodbury Railroad.

WILLIAM M. CLARK

Tonsorial artist, was born in Center Harbor, N. H., January 29, 1843, the son of James M. and Cynthia S. Clark. He was married, July 15, 1860, to Miss Ida E. Fox of Chelsea, Vt. He has three children: Maude M., born in 1863; James Huntress, born in 1879, and Nina B., born in 1883. He belongs to Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 8, F. & A. M., Morrisille, Vt., of which he is past master; Tucker R. A. Chapter No. 15; Lamoille Commandery No. 13, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is affiliated with the Eastern Star, Jeffersonville, Vt., and is also a member of Keystone Club, Hardwick, Vt., and of the Masonic Veterans' Association of Burlington, Vt. He has been in business in Morrisville for thirty years and in Hardwick for six years. He is a lover of outdoor sports, hunting and fishing being his favorite pastimes. His reading is devoted to historical and scientific works and general literature.

CHARLES TABOR PIERCE

Of Hardwick, Vt., has filled many offices of a public nature since he arrived at the stage of manhood. At present he is village clerk and treasurer, and clerk as well as treasurer of the school board in Hardwick. He was born in East Calais, Vt., December 25, 1879, the son of Walter L. and Anna F. Tabor Pierce, the latter from East Montpelier, Vt. He was married in November, 1903, to Maud Wheeler, daughter of Alfred and Lizzie Wheeler of Woodbury, Vt. One child has blessed the union, Leslie Walter, born August 19, 1906. Noble Pierce is a great lover of baseball, as well as of all outdoor sports, and is particularly fond of fishing and autoing. He was formerly in the clothing business, having been a member of the firm of W. L. Pierce & Son from 1902 to 1908. He was a member of the Vermont Legislature from 1906 to 1908, when he was elected as a Republican, to which party he belongs. He is affiliated with Caspian Lake Masonic Lodge, F. & A. M.; Hiram R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter in 1908. He is secretary of Caspian Lake Lodge and has been king for two years in Hiram Chapter. He is also in Union Lodge, K. of P. He attended the public schools, Goddard Seminary, Barre, Vt., and Tufts College, Medford, Mass.

FRED O. SHIPMAN

Of Hardwick, Vt., was born in Hardwick June 16, 1855. He attended the public schools of that town. His parents were Charles and Sarah Swett Shipman, both natives of Vermont. Noble Shipman had charge of section 16 of the St. Johnsbury & Lake Champlain Railroad twenty-four years, up to 1908, but is now retired. He was married to Mary Graham, daughter of John and Betsy Graham of Craftsbury, Vt., and is now a widower. He has two children: Harry Graham, born in 1885, and Theda May, born in 1887. He likes to hunt and fish and is fond of all outdoor sports. He is tyler of Caspian Lake Lodge No. 87, F. & A. M., of Hardwick, Vt. and tyler of Hiram R. A. Chapter No. 29, also of Hardwick; a member of Morrisville Commandery, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1908. He is also on the roll of Keystone Club of Hardwick, Vt. He is Independent in political matters and devotes his reading hours to historical works and the popular magazines.

George W Morrison

J. V. Dutton

Wm M Clark

Chas. T. Pierce

Fred Otis Chipman

ALBERT GEORGE

Of Hardwick, Vt., a native of Chelsea, Vt., was born in 1840. For thirty-one years he was a successful farmer, but is now retired from active work. His parents, both of whom have passed on, were Rufus L. George and Nancy J. Blanchard George, natives of Vermont. He enlisted in the army when the Civil War broke out in 1861, and served as first corporal under Captain Wells, afterwards Major Wells. He attended the public schools of Vermont, and was married, June 3, 1866, to Luceba E. Dutton, daughter of George L. Dutton of Calais, Vt. They have one child, Bert D. George, born March 22, 1873. Noble George belongs to Green Mountain Lodge No. 68, F. & A. M., of Cabot, Vt.; Hiram R. A. Chapter, and Hiram Council, R. & S. M.; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is a member of the Keystone Club and senior vice-commander in the G. A. R. In politics he is a Republican, and he served as selectman of Calais for three years. He carries the mark of a wound received during his army service in the spring of 1863. Fishing and hunting are his favorite pastimes, and his reading takes in general literature, the magazines, and the weekly papers. He is a member of the New England Fat Men's Club.

BERT D. GEORGE, M. D.

Of Hardwick, Vt., was born in Calais, Vt., March 22, 1873. He attended the public schools of Calais and Goddard Seminary of Barre, Vt., and took a special two years' course at Tufts College, Medford, Mass. He is a member of the medical profession and has been a practicing physician and surgeon since 1896. His parents are Albert and Luceba Dutton George. He was married in Wheelock, Vt., April 19, 1898, to Miss Flora E. Gray, daughter of Isaac K. and Martha Williams Gray of Wheelock. They have one child, Ruth Irene George, born August 27, 1899. He belongs to Caspian Lake Lodge, F. & A. M.; Hiram R. A. Chapter; Hiram Council, R. & S. M.; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is a member also of the lodge of Odd Fellows in Hardwick and of the Keystone Club there. His religious belief is Universalist, and in poltitics he is a Republican. He is fond of all outdoor sports, particularly baseball. Medical works and fiction constitute his principal reading.

FREDERICK F. CHAFFEE, M. D.

A practicing physician and surgeon of Chicago, a native of Rochester, Vt., and was born January 29, 1855. His father, John W. Chaffee, born in 1815, and his mother, Mary French Chaffee, born in 1820, were both natives of Rochester. He was educated in the Randolph Normal School, the University of Michigan, the University of the City of New York, graduating from the latter institution in 1877, and took a special course in the New York Polyclinic School. He was married in 1897 to Alice Henrietta Jenks, daughter of Thomas and Henrietta Hall Jenks. Her father was born in Newport, N. H., and her mother in Thetford, Vt. Noble Chaffee has been in constant practice since 1877, the first seventeen years in Strafford, Vt., then two years in Hartford, Vt., and for the past twelve years in Chicago. He represented the town of Strafford in the State legislature in 1888, and was elected vice-president of the Vermont Medical Society in 1895, the year before he moved to Chicago. Dr. Chaffee belongs to Woodlawn Park Lodge No. 841, of Chicago; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter No. 27, of White River Junction, Vt.; Vermont Commandery No. 4, K. T., of Windsor, Vt., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered December 3, 1895. He is a member of the South Shore Club of Chicago, likes historical reading, is fond of all kinds of sport, and votes the Republican ticket.

HENRY J. GRISWOLD

Born in Manchester, N. H., January 26, 1856, where he received his early education. His father, George W. Griswold, was a veteran of the Civil War and served with honor throughout the four years. His mother is still living. During his early manhood, interests in the mercantile business drew him to Nashua, N. H., where he has since resided, although for a number of years he has been identified with wholesale houses in Boston, Mass. He was married in Parish, N. Y., in 1886, to Grace H. House of that town, and has one child, Ernest Henry, born May 25, 1887. He is a member of Rising Sun Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Meridian Sun R. A. Chapter; Israel Hunt Council, R. & S. M.; St. George Commandery, K. T.; N. H. Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. Noble Griswold enjoys out-of-door sports, but rather prefers to satisfy his taste for history and the classics.

ERNEST RYLAND FLETCHER

Of Hardwick, Vt., was born at Essex, Vt., December 19, 1866. His children are Ethel Ruth, born in 1892, and Raymond, born in 1897. Noble Fletcher has been engaged in the granite quarrying and manufacturing business since 1887. He is a member of Caspian Lake Lodge; Hiram R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He attended the public schools of Burlington, graduating from the high school there in 1885. He is a lover of outdoor sports, and in his reading takes in general literature.

MELVIN GREGG MORSE

Of Hardwick, Vt., is a well-known attorney of that town, having been engaged in the general practice of law since 1899. He was born in Elmore, Vt., February 27, 1873, where his father, Benjamin F. Morse, now resides. His mother was Mary Burnham Morse. He was educated in the public schools of Elmore and Calais, and later was graduated from the classical course of People's Academy and Morrisville graded school in the class of 1897. Later he attended the law department of Boston University, from which institution he was graduated with honors, in the class of 1899. He commenced the practice of law at Hyde Park, Vt., in November, 1899, and remained there until April, 1900, when he removed to Hardwick, where he has remained. Since coming to Hardwick, he has engaged in the fire insurance business in connection with his law practice, and is now conducting the largest fire agency in the vicinity. During the years from 1902 to 1904 he was state's attorney of Caledonia County, and now holds the office of president of the Board of Trustees of Hardwick Village, and has also held several minor offices. He was married in December of 1900 to Esther Mae Foster, daughter of Orrin E. and Martha Wesson Foster of Johnson, Vt. They have one child, Martha Evelyn, born April 19, 1903. He is a member of Caspian Lake Lodge, F. & A. M.; Hiram R. A. Chapter No. 29; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., and entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1908. He is connected with Hardwick Lodge No. 68, I. O. O. F., and Union Lodge No. 9, Knights of Pythias, as well as the Keystone Club of Hardwick. In politics he is a Republican.

Albert George

B. D. George M.D.

F. F. Chaffee M.D.

Henry J. Griswold

E. R. Fletcher.

HAVILAH B. HINMAN

An enthusiastic member of Mt. Sinai Temple until his death from cerebral hemorrhage, January 10, 1908. He was born February 19, 1851, at Canaan, Vt., and educated in the district schools of Stratford, N. H. His father was Harvey B. Hinman, a native of Bristol, Conn., and his mother was Harriet Hugh of Brunswick, Vt. He married at Stratford, N. H., December 28, 1873, Kate M. Barrett of North Stratford, daughter of Levi Barrett and Hannah Holmes of Canaan, Maine, by whom he had ten children. Two of these died in infancy. The others are Harvey L., born August 1, 1876; Harriet H., October 28, 1878; Burritt H., July 3, 1882; John H., October 2, 1885; Harold P., November 24, 1887; Mary H., November 2, 1889; Hazen B., March 29, 1891, and Alice H., March 7, 1897. Noble Hinman was a representative to the New Hampshire Legislature in 1879; delegate to the constitutional convention in 1903; was a member of the Board of Selectmen for twenty years, and deputy sheriff of Coos County for ten years. He was a member of Island Pond Lodge of Masons, Island Pond, Vt.; North Star R. A. Chapter, Lancaster, N. H.; Omega Council, R. & S. M., Plymouth, N. H.; North Star Commandery, K. T., Lancaster, N. H.; member of the Scottish Rite bodies of Lancaster and Littleton, N. H., and of New Hampshire Consistory at Nashua, N. H. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias of Stratford, and a past chancellor of his lodge; past master of Coos Grange, Patrons of Husbandry; past dictator of Coos Lodge, Knights of Honor, and grand dictator of the Knights of Honor of New Hampshire.

REVERDY A. CRAMER

Of St. Johnsbury, was born in Way's Mills, province of Quebec, and attended the public schools of St. Johnsbury. His father, L. J. Cramer, was born in Canada in 1852, and his mother, Sylvia Anna Irish, was born in 1851. Both parents are now living. Noble Cramer is a member of Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, as well as the New England Order of Protection. He has been a scale maker with the Fairbanks Co. since 1901. Previous to that year he was with Lougee & Smythe for five years. He was married to Grace E. Hinsman of St. Johnsbury. In politics he in Independent, while his religious faith is Universalist. Hunting, fishing, and baseball are his favorite sports.

HARVEY L. HINMAN

Born August 1, 1876, at Strafford, N. H., the son of Noble Havilah B. Hinman and Kate Barrett Hinman. He was educated in Norwich University, from which he was graduated in 1894 as a civil engineer, and at Eastman's Business College in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., in 1896. He was married at Somerville, Mass., June 25, 1902, to Emily MacBride, daughter of Edward and Rozilla Gilpatrick MacBride, of Biddeford, Maine. Two children have been born of this union: Doris H., January 20, 1905; and Havilah E., March 20, 1908. He resides at Coos, N. H., where he is engaged in the lumber industry and in the railway mail service. He joined Masonry in Evening Star Lodge at Colebrook, N. H., and was exalted in North Star Chapter No. 16, Royal Arch Masons, at Lancaster, N. H.; received the cryptic degrees in Evening Star Council, R. & S. M., of Colebrook, N. H., and took the Templar Orders in North Star Commandery, Lancaster, N. H. He received the Scottish Rite degrees in North Star Lodge of Perfection, Lancaster; Littleton Council and Littleton Chapter, and the thirty-second degree in New Hampshire Consistory in Nashua, N. H. He is devoted to all forms of outdoor sports.

RUSSELL T. JOHNSON, M. D.

Of Concord, Vt., is of American parentage, born April 4, 1841, in Newark, Vt. His father was Ransel and his mother Sally Farmer Johnson. Dr. Johnson was educated in Charleston Academy, province of Quebec, and graduated from Bellevue Hospital in 1867, after taking a special course in surgery. He was married to Miss Asenath A. Weeks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Weeks, all of Lyndon, Vt. Dr. Johnson served in the army during the Civil War, June, 1862 to 1865, as physician in the hospital service. He was a member of the legislature of Vermont in 1884-85. He was supervisor of the insane of the State for fourteen years, and has been health officer a great many years. He is a Republican, and holds the position of town treasurer and member of the School Committee. He is affiliated with the following Masonic bodies: Moose River Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection; Montpelier Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. He is also a member of the I. O. O. F., and has held every office in the G. A. R. post. He became enrolled in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1887.

ANDREW J. LYON

Of West Concord, Vt., a selectman of the town for several terms. At one time he served as an inspector of sugar, and a United States mail carrier, but of late years has turned his attention entirely to farming. He was born March 24, 1846, and attended the Lunenburg, Vt., public schools. His father and mother were both Americans. They were John B. and Anilla A. Olcott Lyon. Noble Lyon was married on the Fourth of July, 1868, to Miss Ruth A. Douse, daughter of Thaddeus H. B. and Lucy A. Douse, and he had two children: Gertie A., born July 27, 1872, and Kate A., born November 21, 1876. Fishing is his favorite pastime. He belongs to Moose River Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple.

H. B. Hinman

Reverdy A. Cramer

H. L. Hinman

B. F. Timmons

Andrew J. Lynn

WILLIAM STEPHEN

Of Claremont Junction, N. H., has been a farmer all his life. He was born in Johnshaven, Scotland, January 12, 1866, the son of William and Margaret Forsythe Stephen, also of Scotland. He attended the schools of his native land and followed farming in Kincardineshire eleven years before coming to this country. From 1895 up to the present time, a period of fourteen years, he has been engaged in farming for Ralph Ainsworth of Claremont Junction. He likes good horse flesh and is particularly fond of horse racing. He is a past master in Hiram Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; has held most all the offices and is now high priest in Webb R. A. Chapter; is a past thrice illustrious master of Columbian Council, R. & S. M., and a member of Sullivan Commandery, K. T. He is enrolled in Alpha Lodge of Perfection; Ariel Council, P. of J.; Acacia Chapter of Rose Croix, and New Hampshire Consistory, S. P. R. C., 32°; also in M. Woodman Chapter of the Eastern Star of Mt. Sinai Temple. In political matters he is a Republican.

AUSTIN M. WEBSTER

Of Claremont, N. H., was born in Palatine, Cook County, Ill., and attended the Bryant & Stratton Business College in Chicago, finishing his studies there in 1864. His father, Palmer C. Webster, a native of New York, was born October 17, 1811, and his mother, Sarah Shirley Webster, also a native of New York, was born June 22, 1816. His mother was a descendant of the noted Governor Shirley. Noble Webster was married, July 4, 1865, to Emma D. Abbott, daughter of Leonard and Hannah Davis Jones of Claremont, and two children have been born to them: E. Josie Wescott, and Grace Shirley Webster. Their home is at 145 Washington Street, Claremont. For the twenty years between 1885 and 1905 he was a police officer in Claremont, and since the latter year has been a janitor of the Union Block building there. Hunting and fishing are his favorite pastimes. He is an attendant of the Universalist Church and a Democrat. He belongs to Hiram Lodge; Columbian Council, R. & S. M.; Sullivan Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined December 3, 1895. He likewise is connected with the Eastern Star and the Knights of Pythias.

CHARLES A. V. WIDGREN

Of Claremont, N. H., connected with the Sullivan Machinery Co. of that town as machinist, was born in Norrkoping, Sweden, March 5, 1868, the son of John and Carolina Molander Widgren, both natives of Sweden. When he was two years old, in 1870, his parents emigrated to America and settled in Searsport, Maine, where he attended the public schools. He followed the sea for about nine years, making his first voyage at the age of thirteen. As a sailor he went twice around Cape Horn, and visited California, Europe, and China. He was sailing master of an eight-ton yacht at the age of seventeen. He has been an expert machinist for nineteen years, working as such for the Sullivan Machinery Co. since 1902. Prior to that he was with the Lowell Machine Co. of Lowell, Mass., and the Lockwood Corporation of Waterville, Maine. Noble Widgren, in addition to being a member of Mt. Sinai Temple, belongs to the blue lodge chapter, council and commandery. He is also a past grand of Sullivan Lodge of Odd Fellows, esteemed leading Knight of Claremont Lodge of Elks; a member of Woodbury Rebekah Lodge; Skitchewaug tribe of Red Men; Claremont Grange; Claremont Club, and the Cusamequin Canoe Club of Claremont. July 20, 1895, he was married to Mathilda Anderson of Waterville, Maine, who was born in Glimakra, Sweden, October 26, 1872, the daughter of Anders and Nilla Nilson Anderson. While living in Lowell, he was a member of the Spindle City Wheelmen and the Century Road Club of America. At that time he was classed as one of the best road riders on the bicycle of that city. One notable ride made by him was from Lowell to Providence, R. I., and return, making 162 miles in eleven hours. Noble Widgren is a Republican in politics, and in his religious affiliations is with the Universalist Church.

HENRY O. KING

Of the firm of Rand, Ball & King, hardware merchants, Claremont, N. H., became a Shriner in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1901. He is a member of Hiram Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Webb R. A. Chapter; Columbian Council, R. & S. M., and Sullivan Commandery, K. T. He is also in the Elks and Claremont Club, both of Claremont. He is a Republican, and a director in the Board of Trade. He was born in Bellows Falls, Vt., August 26, 1878, attended the public schools of that town, and graduated from the high schools in 1897, after which he took a special course in English. His parents were Congregationalists. He is interested in the current literature of the day and takes a keen delight in all outdoor sports.

WILLIAM H. FULLER

A retired merchant of Claremont, N. H., is a native of Brandon, Vt., where he was born May 20, 1838. He attended the schools of Burlington, Vt. His parents were Augustus R. Fuller, born in 1804, and Hannah E. Brown Fuller, born in 1815. He is a Republican and is affiliated with the Congregational Church. He is a member of Hiram Lodge; Webb R. A. Chapter; Sullivan Commandery, K. T.; Mt. Sinai Temple, and the G. A. R. He was married, November 13, 1866, to Margaret S. Scott, daughter of Alexander and Mary Ann Day Scott of Burlington, both of whom are dead. They have eight children: Mary E., William H., Jr., Grace (Mrs. F. R. Seymour of South Royalton, Vt.), Eugene A. (of Saxton River, Vt.), Alexander E. (of Miles Pond, Vt.), Emma S. (Mrs. W. S. Hofstra of Claremont, N. H.), Marie H. assistant librarian at Westfield, Mass.), and Alice H., teacher in South Hadley Falls, Mass.).

William Stephen

Chas A V Widgren

Austin M. Webster.

A. C. King

W. H. Fuller

AARON KING

A member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1904, is of American-English parentage. His father, Samuel King, was of Langdon, N. H., and his mother, Selina Dewhirst, was of Essex, Ontario. The son was born in Langdon, N. H., March 10, 1861, and went to school there. He was married, August 14, 1888, to Julia M. Ingals, daughter of Francis J. and Orilla H. Slade Ingals, both of whom have passed away. They have one son, Fred F. Noble King saw Masonic light in Hiram Lodge, took his capitular degrees in Webb R. A. Chapter, joined Columbian Council, and then Sullivan Commandery, K. T. He is a past officer in his Odd Fellows Lodge and Knights of Pythias. He has been in the trucking and freight forwarding business in Claremont, N. H., for the past twenty-five years, attends the Universalist Church, and has leanings toward the Democratic Party.

CLARENCE H. McDUFFEE

Superintendent of the Claremont (N. H.) Paper Co., is a native of the Bay State. He was born in Lawrence, September 27, 1866, and went to the public schools of that city, as well as to those in Peabody and Hyde Park, Mass. His parents are still living. His father, Henry C. McDuffee, is a native of Winthrop, Maine, and his mother, who was born Lucy L. Conley, of Brunswick, Maine. His entire working life has been devoted to the business of paper manufacturing, and for seventeen years he was connected with the Tileston & Hollingsworth Paper Co. of Hyde Park, Mass. In 1899 he became superintendent of the Claremont Paper Co. He was married to Miss Flora Etta Ford of Stockport, N. Y., in Nashua, N. H., October 31, 1885, and they have two children: Edward C., who was born April 12, 1890, and Harold F., born January 21, 1897. His wife's father was a native of New York City, and her mother, Sarah A. Towner of Ballston Spa, N. Y. Noble McDuffee belongs to Hiram Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Webb R. A. Chapter, of which he is master of the second veil; Columbian Council, R. & S. M.; Sullivan Commandery, K. T., being standard bearer in that body, and entered Mt. Sinai Temple May 8, 1908. He also is a member of Highland Commandery No. 54, Golden Cross, of Boston. He is a Republican, attends the Episcopal Church, and likes baseball and outdoor sports.

EARL PERCY CUSHMAN, M. D.

Of Claremont, N. H., was born in Tunbridge, Vt., July 17, 1873, and is a graduate of Dartmouth College. He also graduated from the University of Vermont Medical College in 1900, and has been a practicing physician for nine years. His father was Carlos B. Cushman; his mother, whose maiden name was Kate Lee, is living. In politics he is a Republican. His religious belief is Congregationalist. He belongs to Hiram Lodge; Webb R. A. Chapter; Columbian Council, R. & S. M.; Sullivan Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Elks. His favorite sport is fishing, and he is enrolled in the Claremont Club. Noble Cushman is attending surgeon of the Claremont General Hospital.

DAVID REUBEN ROYS

Of Claremont, N. H., who has been inspector for the Sullivan Machine Co. for the past twenty years, was born in Claremont, March 3, 1843, and attended the public schools of his native State. His father was Henry Roys, and his mother Belinda Tuttle Roys, both Americans. He was married in November, 1866, to Emogene L. Stoddard, daughter of Curtis and Alvira Jones Stoddard of Claremont. His entire working life has been passed in the occupation of a machinist, and he is a skilled workman in that line. He is a Republican, and was a representative in the New Hampshire Legislature for two terms, from 1888 to 1890 and from 1890 to 1892, likewise a State senator from 1906 to 1908. He belongs to Hiram Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Webb R. A. Chapter; Columbian Council, R. & S. M.; Sullivan Commandery, K. T.; the Lodge of Perfection, Council P. of J., and Chapter of Rose Croix, of Concord, N. H.; the New Hampshire Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple.

CALVIN S. EASTMAN

Of Claremont, N. H., is a native of Fairlee, Vt. He was born September 16, 1856, his father being James Eastman, and his mother, Sylvia Barton Eastman. He attended the Bradford Academy and Oxford High School. For the past fifteen years he has been a traveling salesman for the Sturtevant-Merrick Co., wholesale grocers. In politics he is a Democrat, while his religious faith is Methodist. He was married, April 18, 1899, to Alice M. Emery, daughter of Edward and Josephine Barnes Emery, and they have two children, Harry W. P. C. and Hazel M. His wife's father is dead, but her mother is living in Claremont. He belongs to Hiram Lodge No. 9; Webb R. A. Chapter; Columbian Council, R. & S. M.; Sullivan Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter in 1903. He is also connected with the Odd Fellows, is a past district deputy grand patriarch, a major of the colonel's staff, and member of the department council of the State and the grand encampment. His favorite pastime is fishing.

Aaron King

E. P. Cushman

C. H. Mc. Duffee

David R. Roy

C. S. Eastman

ALBERT HEYWOOD

Born in Charlestown, N. H., February 9, 1849, the son of Rufus Heywood, born in 1807, and Sybil B. Milliken Heywood, born in 1819. He attended the public schools of his native town, and for thirty years has been in business for himself, as barber. He was married, August 20, 1879, to Nancy E. King, whose parents, Samuel and Selina Dewhirst King, are both dead. Noble Heywood has no children, and his home is at 64 Pleasant Street, Claremont. He is a member of Hiram Lodge; Webb R. A. Chapter; Columbian Council, R. & S. M.; Sullivan Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. In addition to his Masonic connections he also belongs to the Red Men and the Eastern Star. He attends the Universalist Church, and is an Independent in politics.

CHARLES H. STEBBINS

A designer and builder of Manchester, N. H., his home being at 493 Pine Street. He was born in Lancaster, N. H., April 12, 1839, the son of Chester and Laura Quimby Stebbins. In 1863 he became a designer and builder. In 1885, owing to ill health, he moved West, and was associated with the Lake Shore Locomotive Works in Elkhart, Ind. In 1887 and 1888 he was employed to build and put in running order the once famous Burton Car Works of Wichita, Kan., which cost $250,000. In 1889 he visited Denver, Col., and there took charge of building and finishing the Masonic Temple, which cost $450,000, and later became associated with the Hallack Sayer Newton Lumber Co., which was engaged in extensive building operations, employing 225 men, he taking charge of the factory work. In 1896 he came East on a visit to the home of his boyhood, and by the urgent request of relatives and friends he was persuaded to remain in his native State. In 1901 he entered upon building operations with the Head & Dowst Co., of Manchester, N. H., where he is at the present time. His Masonic record goes back to 1862, in which year he joined Passumpsic Lodge of St. Johnsbury, Vt., and in 1869 dimitted and affiliated with North Star Lodge of Lancaster, N. H. In 1883 he was exalted in North Star R. A. Chapter, and in 1890 was knighted in North Star Commandery, K. T. He took the grades in the Lodge of Perfection, the Council, P. of J. the Chapter of Rose Croix in 1898, and the Consistory in 1899, becoming a member of Mt. Sinai Temple in 1905. In 1907 Adoniram Council, R. & S. M., of Manchester, granted a waiver of jurisdiction in favor of Columbian Council of Claremont, N. H., of which his son was thrice illustrious master, and he conferred the degrees on him December 24, 1907. He is a Democrat, but never had any aspirations for political honors, as he wished to lead a quiet life.

BERT LAWRENCE STEBBINS

Employed by the pattern department of the Sullivan Machinery Co. of Claremont, N. H., since April 18, 1903, and as foreman of that department in 1909. He is a draftsman and designer, and has been a pattern maker since 1889. He was foreman for the Burton Stock Car Co. of Wichita, Kan., a year and a half, and filled the same position with the Edward Kelley Foundry Co. of Elkhart, Ind., for two years. He was born in Lancaster, N. H., July 10, 1868, and attended the public schools of Manchester, N. H., and Lancaster Academy. His father, Charles H. Stebbins, born in 1839, is still living, but his mother, whose maiden name was Adeline R. Balch, has passed on. He was married, August 25, 1900, to Miss Etta I. Baker, daughter of Amos and Mary Hicks Baker of Lancaster. They have one child, Eva B., born October 16, 1901. Noble Stebbins is enrolled in Hiram Lodge No. 9, A. F. & A. M.; Webb R. A. Chapter No. 6; Columbian Council No. 2, R. & S. M.; Sullivan Commandery, K. T., all of Claremont, N. H.; North Star Lodge of Perfection of Lancaster, N. H.; Saraiah Council, P. of J.; Indianapolis Chapter of Rose Croix; Indiana Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a past master, past high priest, past thrice illustrious master of the first three bodies, respectively, and is eminent commander of his commandery, while in the temple he is captain of the guard. He was representative to the Imperial Council in 1904. He was admitted to the Shrine, May 24, 1900. In politics he is an Independent, and enjoys hunting and fishing and field sports as diversions. His home is at 131 Myrtle Street, Claremont.

MELVIN A. NOTT

A retired machinist of Claremont, N. H., his home being at 152 Washington Street, that town. He was born in Rochester, Vt., October 16, 1840, and attended the local schools. Both his parents were of American birth, and both have long since departed from this life. His father, Solomon Nott, was born April 13, 1793, and his mother, whose maiden name was Fannie M. Jones, was born August 11, 1803. He was married, June 6, 1865, to Miss Abbie C. Ainsworth, daughter of Edward and Caroline Hubbard Ainsworth of Claremont. They have three children: Alice A., Ellen B., and Mary C., born respectively on September 30, 1867, March 6, 1869, and July 15, 1873. Noble Nott belongs to Hiram Lodge; Webb R. A. Chapter; Columbian Council, R. & S. M.; Sullivan Commandery, K. T., and has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since April 28, 1904. He is not affiliated with any other orders. He attends the Congregational Church, is a Republican, and his favorite pastime is traveling. He began his working life as a machinist back in 1861, and at one time he was engaged in the sawmill business for fifteen years.

MORRIS MAYFIELD FREEMAN

Of Claremont, N. H., is a native of the South, having been born in Athens, Ga., March 25, 1860. His father, John Mayfield Freeman, was born in Carnesville, Ga., December 25, 1827; his mother, whose maiden name was Mary Minerva Patrick, also a native of Carnesville, Ga., was born July 10, 1837, and is still living. Noble Freeman was educated at Franklin Academy, in Carnesville, Ga., and Toccoa Collegiate Institute, in Toccoa, Ga., graduating from the latter in 1877. He received his commercial education at Moore's Business College, Atlanta, Ga. He married Mabel Alvord Jones, eldest daughter of John Franklin and Isabelle Deane Jones, of Springfield, Mass. Three children have been born to the couple: Deane Mayfield, Katherine Ashley, and John Rogers. Their home is at Edgewood, Claremont, N. H. He has been connected with the Sullivan Machinery Co. of Claremont, N. H., for several years, and in 1906 became auditor of the company, which position he still holds. His other Masonic connections embrace membership in Buffalo Lodge No. 202, A. F. & A. M., of Blacksburg, S. C.; Webb R. A. Chapter No. 6; Columbian Council No. 2, R. & S. M.; and Sullivan Commandery, K. T., at Claremont, N. H. He is a Democrat, and his religious affiliations are with the Episcopal Church.

Albert Heywood

Bert L. Stebbins.

Charles H. Stebbins

M. A. Nott

A. H. Freeman

CHARLES FREDERICK POPE

The manager of Dixon's Pharmacy in Colebrook, N. H., which position he has filled since July 19, 1905. He was engaged in the same line of business from 1901 to 1905 in Rochester, N. H., and in Boston previously. He was born in Windham Center, Maine, July 12, 1858, the son of Robert Pope, who was born in Pownal, Maine, January 28, 1813, and Juliette Kennard, born June 4, 1825. He attended school in Providence, R. I., and went to the Westbrook Seminary, taking mathematical and classical courses at the latter institution. He is a studious reader of all high class literature, and fishing and hunting are his favorite diversions. He is enrolled in Tyrian Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Mechanics Falls, Maine; St. Andrew's R. A. Chapter; North Star Commandery, K. T., of Lancaster, N. H.; Aaron P. Hughes Lodge of Perfection, of Nashua, N. H.; Oriental Council, P. of J.; St. George Chapter of Rose Croix; New Hampshire Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter body April 25, 1901. He was married in Rochester, N. H., November 27, 1905, to Ella M. Knowles of Rockport, Mass., daughter of Samuel P. Knowles of Alexander, N. H., and Ella Colbath Knowles of New Durham, N. H.

CHARLES A. RICE

Of Claremont, N. H., has conducted a plumbing and heating business there for the past six years or more. He is a native of Webster, N. H., where he was born July 8, 1867, the son of Lewis A. and Rose A. Jackman Rice. He attended the public schools of Webster. November 24, 1887, he was married to Miss Grace A. Shaw, of Salisbury, N. H., and they have three children Anna P., born October 11, 1891; Isabella E., born March 11, 1899, and Evelyn, born May 1, 1902. He is affiliated with the Baptist Church and in political matters is Republican. He is a member of Hiram Lodge; Webb R. A. Chapter; Columbian Council, R. & S. M.; Sullivan Commandery, K. T., and since April 28, 1904, of Mt. Sinai Temple.

FRANK DE FOREST CLEMENT

Of Allenstown, N. H., is the present town treasurer, and has been a member of the school board since 1907. He is proprietor of Sunnyside Dairy and Poultry Farm, and has conducted farming operations since 1905. Prior to that time he was in the jewelry business in Orleans, Vt., his experience extending over a period of eighteen years,—1887 to 1905. He was born in Irasburg, Vt., May 5, 1869, and attended the public schools of Orleans. His parents were John E. and Olive W. Pearson Clement; the latter is living. He was married in Orleans, December 6, 1894, to Blanche R., daughter of William P. and Hannah Marston Dodge, the former of Lime, N. H., and the latter of Charleston, Vt., and has three children: Ralph Herman, Verne Pearson, and Theodore De Forest. He attends the Methodist Church, and his choice of pastimes is fishing and boating, while historical literature is his favorite reading. He is a supporter of the Democratic Party. Noble Clement became identified with Mt. Sinai Temple in 1903. He belongs to Jewell Lodge of Suncook, N. H.; Keystone Chapter of Barton, and Malta Commandery of Newport, Vt.; is a past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, and ex-captain of the Uniform Rank, K. of P. His grandfather Pearson was the oldest Mason in the State of Vermont at the time of his death, and a member of Central Lodge, Irasburg, Vt. The Clement family traces its genealogy back to Deacon James Clement of Weare, N. H., who was born in 1737 and died in 1812. His father, Jonathan, was married to Hannah Duston, the eldest daughter of Hannah Duston of Indian fame.

ORVILLE D. COBLEIGH

Of Concord, Vt., is a native of Waterford, Vt., where he was born August 8, 1843. His parents were Reuben Boyce and Mehitabel Adams Cobleigh. He attended the public schools of St. Johnsbury, and was married to Martha J. Richardson of Waterford, Vt., the daughter of Ira and Cynthia Bishop. He has three children: Frank M., born July 15, 1866; Grace A., born May 7, 1871, and Floria E., August 12, 1875. He has served as deputy sheriff and high sheriff of his county and at present is engaged in the teaming business. He belongs to Masonic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He was a soldier in the Civil War and was wounded in front of Richmond. At the battle of Fair Oaks he was under the command of Captain George P. Foster, of Company G, Fourth Vermont Regiment, of which Colonel Stotter was commander. He is a member of the Grand Army of Vermont and a Republican in politics. His religious affiliations are with the Congregational Church.

EDWARD LEWIS OSGOOD

Of Charlestown, N. H., was born in that town June 14, 1855, the son of Solomon P. and Susan N. Bailey Osgood, the former born in Charlestown, November 23, 1824, and the latter in New Ipswich, N. H., June 26, 1820. His second marriage was November 16, 1898, to Mary York, daughter of Henry U. and Mary J. Fitts of Boston, and they have one child, Edward Grant Osgood, born May 6, 1878. Noble Osgood attended school in Boston and Bedford, Mass. For many years he has followed the occupation of a machinist, being an expert in that line. He is a member of Putnam Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of New York City; Webb R. A. Chapter; Sullivan Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in 1903. He is also in Charter Oak Lodge of Odd Fellows, Meridian Encampment of the same order, and in the Charter Oak Sick Benefit Immediate Relief Association. He takes his politics from the Republcian Party.

ROBERT STANLEY WEARE

A railroad man of Scotts, N. H., who has been connected with the Boston & Maine and Maine Central roads for the past fifteen years. He was born in Drummond County, Canada, and attended the public schools of his native place, graduating in 1868. He was married in Scotts, N. H., October 6, 1899, to Mabel Ferguson, daughter of Aaron and Adeline Heath Ferguson of Plymouth, N. H. Hunting and fishing are his favorite diversions, while his reading hours are devoted to history and fiction principally. He is a Republican, and in his religious belief an Episcopalian. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1900, and in addition he belongs to Sebatta Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; North Star R. A. Chapter; North Star Commandery, K. T.; Littleton Council, P. of J., and Littleton Chapter of Rose Croix, as well as New Hampshire Consistory, 32°.

Charles Frederick Pope.

Charles A. Rice.

F. D. Clement.

O. D. Cobleigh

E. L. Osgood

FRED B. SPAULDING

Who is proprietor of a successful grain and feed business in Lancaster, N. H., which he has conducted since 1898, was for some years a bookkeeper with the firm of Frank Smith & Co. of Lancaster, before branching out for himself, starting with that firm in 1890. He has been a Republican representative to the New Hampshire Legislature and a selectman of the town for several terms, and was again chosen in 1908 for another term. He was born June 7, 1867, in Lancaster, the son of William C. and Harriet Stanley Spaulding. His father is living. The son graduated from Lancaster High School, and later from Eastman's Business College, in 1889. He was married to Hattie Conner, daughter of Enoch F. and Harriet Lovejoy Conner of Lancaster, and they have two children: Roger William, born August 14, 1894, and Helen, born October 20, 1897. The favorite diversions enjoyed by Noble Spaulding are boating, fishing, and hunting. He is a past master in North Star Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; past high priest in North Star R. A. Chapter; generalissimo in North Star Commandery, K. T.; senior warden in North Star Lodge of Perfection; and belongs to Evening Star Council, R. & S. M.; the P. of J. Council; Rose Croix Chapter, and New Hampshire Consistory. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1903.

ERASTUS V. COBLEIGH

Of Lancaster, N. H., was born in Sugar Hill, N. H., February 19, 1837, and attended the public schools of Lyndon, Vt. His parents were Royal E. and Mercy Vilas Cobleigh. He is a Republican and served as selectman in 1881 and 1882. He was in the tin, stove, and hardware business several years, and was postmaster under Harrison. Since 1896 he has been in the cording mill business for himself. His first wife was Juliet Stockwell of Lyndon, Vt., who died in 1867. In 1869 he was married at Mineral Point, Wis., to Miss Ellen E. Peck, daughter of George C. and Molinda Wing Peck, of Lyndon, Vt. He has one child, Charles K. Cobleigh, born July 10, 1863. He is a member of North Star Lodge No. 8, A. F. & A. M.; North Star R. A. Chapter No. 16, of Lancaster; Evening Star Council, R. & S. M., of Colebrook, N. H.; North Star Commandery, K. T.; North Star Lodge of Perfection, of Lancaster, N. H.; Littleton Council, P. of J.; and Chapter of Rose Croix, Littleton, N. H.; as well as Nashua Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a member of the Congregational Society, and his favorite reading is fiction and general literature.

EMMONS DWIGHT STOCKWELL

Of Lancaster, N. H., was born on a farm there February 26, 1830, and has been a farmer all his long life. With farming he combined the lumbering business. His parents were Emmons and Elzada Bishop Stockwell. He built the fair grounds at Lancaster, and also a road one mile in length to Coos Junction. The following year he selected the new cemetery, which is now in use. He is living in the first house built in Lancaster. His father walked the whole distance from Lancaster to Pennsylvania and afterwards returned on horseback. His grandfather had as guardian, Governor Page of Massachusetts. King George II issued a proclamation that all who had guardians were to be released if they joined the army for the French and Indian War in 1745. His grandfather accepted the offer, served in the war, and later returned to Massachusetts to his guardian. Afterwards he selected the spot where the old house now stands and built his home there. The Governor then sent his son Jewel, and he selected the opposite section of land for himself. Noble Stockwell attended the public schools of Lancaster, and has never married. He is very fond of driving fine horses. He belongs to North Star Lodge; North Star R. A. Chapter; North Star Council, R. & S. M.; North Star Commandery, K. T.; Lisbon, N. H., Lodge of Perfection, and entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1903.

HARRY HERBERT JONES

Was born in Island Pond, Vt., August 15, 1861. His parents were William T. and Eliza A. Jones. He attended the common schools, and in 1900 was married to Miss Nettie S. Smith, daughter of Irving E. and Lilla M. Smith, all of Lancaster. He is a manufacturer of belt fasteners, and has been president of the Jones & Linscott Electric Co. since 1907. In Freemasonry he is affiliated with lodge, chapter, council, commandery, and the Lodge of Perfection, besides being a Knight of Pythias. He entered the Mystic Shrine through the portals of Mt. Sinai Temple in 1905.

F. H. COLE

Of Groveton, N. H., was born in Stark, N. H., October 18, 1862, and attended the public schools of that town. His father was Charles Cole of Stark, and his mother, Harriet Rowell, was a native of Walden, Vt. In 1885 he was married in Stark to Miss Emma E. Farwell, whose father was Sereno Farwell of Bethel, Maine, and her mother Sarah Rich Farwell, a native of Stark. His only child is Constance E. Cole, born February 28, [illegible]. He belongs to North Star Lodge; North Star R. A. Chapter; Evening Star Council, R. & S. M.; North Star Commandery, K. T., of Lancaster; and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; is also a member of the Eastern Star. For eleven years he was with the Odell Manufacturing Co., up to 1896, and then with the General Electric Co., as construction foreman on the road for three years, but he is now with Boston Edison Illuminating Co., South Boston. He is Independent in politics, and was brought up a Methodist, but is not a member of the church. He is very fond of fishing and hunting, and his favorite reading is scientific books. He resides at 688 Columbia Road, Dorchester, Mass.

OLIVER D. EASTMAN, M. D.

A practicing physician of Woodsville, N. H., was born in Sonora, Cal., July 8, 1858. His father was Oliver S. Eastman. His mother, Emily E. Eastman, is living. He graduated from Newbury Seminary in 1879 and from Dartmouth Medical College in 1882. He has a general practice in surgery also. On December 14, 1883, he was married to Miss Eddie D. Davis, daughter of Richard A. and Susanna Howe Davis of East Haverhill, N. H. They have four children: D. K. Eastman, born January 8, 1884; Oliver N., born August 16, 1886; Burns R., born August 27, 1890, and Milo D., born February 22, 1894. He belongs to Canaan Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Franklin R. A. Chapter; Hiram Council, R. & S. M.; St. Girard Commandery, K. T.; Littleton Lodge of Perfection; Lancaster Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Edward A. Raymond Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple; is also a member of Moonhilloch Lodge, I. O. O. F. His religious belief is Universalist.

Fred B. Spaulding.

E. D. Stockwell

E. V. Cobleigh

H. H. Jones

Frank H. Cole

FRED N. CHASE

An engineer of the Boston & Maine Railroad for twenty-three years. He is a resident of West Lebanon, but was born in Bradford, Vt., August 15, 1857. His parents were Alonzo J. and Emiline H. Little Chase. He attended school at McIndoe's, Vt., and graduated about 1876. He was enrolled in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1899, and is on the roll of Kane Lodge, St. Andrew R. A. Chapter, Washington Council, and Malta Commandery. He belongs to the Odd Fellows and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. He was married, May 22, 1886, to Kate E. Crimmins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Crimmins. Of this union there were six children: Bessie E., Fred A., Beulah E., Francis W., Barbara E., and Bertha E. He is a Republican and attends the Congregational Church.

SYLVESTER D. JONES

Son of the late David and Louisa A. Merrill Jones, was born in Rumney, N. H., April 7, 1851, and attended school in Lebanon, where he now lives. His father was born in 1820, and his mother a year later. He has been in the sewing machine business twenty-five years, and eighteen years with H. W. Carter & Son. He is by faith a Unitarian, by political affiliation a Democrat. He was married to Georgia A. Benton, daughter of Henry Benton of Lebanon, about October 10, 1885, and they have one daughter, Hazel, now Mrs. W. J. Plummer of West Lebanon. He saw Masonic light in Franklin Lodge, A. F. & A. M., in 1872, advanced to St. Andrew R. A. Chapter, passed into Washington Council, was knighted in Sullivan Commandery, K. T., attained his fourteenth degree in Windsor Lodge of Perfection, received the sixteenth degree in Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J., proceeded into Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and was made a thirty-second degree Mason in Vermont Consistory in 1897. Mt. Sinai Temple welcomed him in 1895. He is a past grand in the Odd Fellows, a past sachem in the Red Men, past chancellor in the Knights of Pythias, a member of Ascutney Chapter of the Eastern Star of Windsor, Vt., and of the local Grange. His favorite diversion is adding to his large collection of Indian relics, coins, books, etc.

W. C. BRADBURY

Of Wilmot, Merrimack County, N. H., was born in Vergennes, Vt., May 9, 1847. His father was Charles William Bradbury of Boston, and his mother Eleanor Farrand Bradley of Fairfield, Vt. He has attended various schools. From 1880 to 1886 he was a railway clerk. Since October 3, 1908, he has been clerk of the town committee. He is a Republican. He belongs to Dorchester Lodge, F. & A. M., of Vergennes; Jerusalem R. A. Chapter; Vergennes Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Calvary Commandery, K. T., of Middlebury, Vt.; Haswell Lodge of Perfection; Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, at Burlington; and was a charter member of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is a past commander and past grand recorder of the Grand Commandery, K. T., of Vermont. His post office address is West Andover, N. H.

COLONEL FRANK OSCAR WALLACE

Combined the business of a hotel keeper and farmer since the year 1883, and is still following up these two lines in Laconia, N. H., where his home is. At one time he was in considerable demand as a caterer all over the two States of Vermont and New Hampshire. He is a native of Concord, N. H., where he was born March 14, 1851, the son of William and Lydia Hurd Wallace. He was educated in the public schools of Concord and in New Hampshire College, later taking a special course in a business college. He was married August, 1871, in New Hampton, N. H., to Laura Brown, daughter of William and Eliza White Brown of Manchester, N. H. They have two children: William Samuel, born October 13, 1878, and Anna Laura, born June 7, 1887. In his spare time he likes to hunt and fish, and is also fond of automobiling. His reading is largely historical. He is a member of Lebanon Lodge, F. & A. M.; Union R. A. Chapter; Pythagorean Council, R. & S. M.; Pilgrim Commandery, K. T.; Edward A. Raymond Lodge of Perfection, and of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1897. He also belongs to Belknap Lodge, K. P., Laconia; Cordogan Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Bristol; and Laconia Encampment, as well as the Amoskeag Veterans. He is a member of the Baptist Church.

HENRY C. PHILLIPS

Superintendent of the county farm at Woodsville, N. H., has held that position since the year 1893. He was born in Alexandria, N. H., January 19, 1865, and went to the district schools of that town, graduating in 1879. His father, John F. Phillips, is still living. His mother's name was Sarah A. Pettee. Noble Phillips is a Democrat; was selectman of Alexandria for two years, in 1891-92, and collector of taxes for one year. Most of his working life has been devoted to farming. He is fond of outdoor sports, but delights especially to hunt and fish. He is a member of the blue lodge at Grafton, N. H.; Franklin R. A. Chapter; Hiram Council, R. & S. M.; St. Girard Commandery, K. T.; North Star Lodge of Perfection; Lancaster Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Edward A. Raymond Consistory, and of Mt. Sinai Temple. In addition to his Masonic connections he belongs to Moosehillock Lodge of Odd Fellows, the Red Men, the Elks Lodge of Berlin, N. H., the Grange, and the Amoskeag Veterans of Manchester, N. H. He was married October 10, 1885, to Hattie M. Clark, daughter of Aaron and May Clark of Alexandria. They have no children.

NATHAN RILEY SWITSER

A resident of Laconia, N. H., where he has been conducting a furniture, upholstery, and hotel business ever since 1879, establishing it on a very successful footing. Previous to that year he was engaged in the carpet cleaning and upholstery lines. He is a Republican, and from 1888 to 1898, a period of ten years, he was a deputy sheriff of Caledonia County. He was born March 13, 1853, in Sutton, Vt., the son of Stephen and Mahola Johnson, both of whom have passed on. He was married in St. Johnsbury, Vt., May 20, 1875, to Miss Louise Farnham, daughter of Leander B. and Christiana Smith Farnham of Sutton, the parents no longer living. They have two children: Maybelle S., born September 14, 1878, and Lillian S., born February 17, 1890. He is a member of the Free Baptist Church, is fond of fishing as a pastime, and his reading embraces political works and general literature. He is connected with Passumpsic Lodge A. F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered in 1891. He has been steward of the lodge, third veil in the chapter, and is a past thrice illustrious of the council, while in Mt. Sinai Temple he holds the rank of assistant architect and second alchemist. His home is at 24 Boylston Street, Laconia.

Fred N. Chase

H. C. Bradbury

Sylvester D. Jones

F O Wallace

Henry C Phillips

W. P. NEAL

Of Newport, Vt., has been connected with the Boston & Maine Railroad since April 11, 1900, and from January 17, 1906, up to the present time has filled the post of locomotive engineer on that road. He was born in Burroughs Junction, N. J., June 22, 1876, and attended the public schools of Lynn, Mass. His father, James Neal, was born in Lynn, Mass., June 8, 1831, and his mother, Elizabeth Burrows, in Hamden, N. J., June 20, 1845. He was married, May 15, 1906, to Pearl Blanche Rollins, of West Derby, Vt., and they have one child, James Rollins, born October 28, 1907. His wife's father was Isaac W. Rollins, of Patton, province of Quebec, and her mother was Lucy Woodmansee, a native of Greensborough, Vt. Noble Neal is affiliated with Memphremagog Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Malta Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He joined the Shrine in 1908. He is also a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the branch of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen of Newport, Vt. His wife is in the auxiliary of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen. Previous to his starting in railroading, he was connected with H. P. Hood & Son, milk contractors of Boston, W. W. Benjamin of Boston, and has been in the wholesale fruit business for three years. He is fond of hunting and fishing.

GEORGE FRANK ROOT

A member of the firm of H. S. Root & Son of Newport, Vt., furniture and hardware, also of the firm of Root & Blanchard, fire insurance, has been assistant town clerk of Newport for the past sixteen years and a town assessor for six years. He was born in Newport, July 17, 1872, and was educated in Newport Academy, St. Johnsbury Academy, and French's Business College. His father, Henry S. Root, born May 21, 1839, and his mother, Abigail Whipple Root, born March 17, 1840, are still living. He was married, February 24, 1902, in Boston, to Ellen Mabel Baldwin, daughter of Thomas Howard and Kate Clauss Baldwin of Boston. They have one child, Howard Stockwell, born August 30, 1905. Noble Root is quite prominent in Masonry. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1899, previous to that being connected with Memphremagog Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. In these different bodies he is past master, past high priest, past thrice illustrious master, past commander, past thrice potent master, past most illustrious in the Grand Council, grand generalissimo in the Grand Commandery, secretary-treasurer of the Order of High Priesthood, past patron in a chapter of the Eastern Star, and past grand patron in the grand body of the Eastern Star. He is a member of the Memphremagog Yacht Club and a charter member of the Young Men's Improvement Club of Newport, and is also enrolled among the Sons of the American Revolution. Motor boating is his special pastime.

HENRY STOCKWELL ROOT

A member of the firm of E. H. Root & Son of Newport, Vt., dealers in furniture, hardware, and house furnishing goods, which was established in 1865. He was born in Coventry, Vt., May 21, 1839, attending the public schools there, and was the son of Horace W. and Lucy Stockwell Root, both natives of Vermont. He was married in Lyndonville, Vt., January 17, 1867, to Abbie W. Carpenter, daughter of Ephraim and Betsey Smith Carpenter of that town. One child has been born to them, George Frank Root, July 17, 1872. Noble Root is a Democrat, and from 1872 up to the present time, a period of thirty-seven years, has been town clerk and treasurer of Newport. He is one of the most prominent Masons in the State, having filled many important offices in the order. He is past potentate in Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., into which he was received July 9, 1895, and is also affiliated with Memphremagog Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; Edward Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, and has also been crowned a thirty-third degree Mason. He has been senior warden of his blue lodge, is past high priest of the R. A. Chapter, past thrice illustrious master in the Cryptic Rite, past thrice potent master in the Lodge of Perfection, past captain general of his Commandery, engineer and seneschal in the Consistory, and first lieutenant in the Council of Deliberation. He is a member of the Red Cross of Constantine. He was grand junior deacon of the Grand Lodge of Vermont in 1907 and is now grand king in the Grand R. A. Chapter. In addition to his Masonic connections he is a Pythian, and a member of Evening Star Lodge of Odd Fellows. He also belongs to the Young Men's Improvement Club and the Memphremagog Yacht Club of Newport. He is a carpenter, and at one time was a school teacher for four years. He is fond of reading general literature and newspapers.

GEORGE E. EMERY

Of Woodsville, N. H., was born at Newton Lower Falls, Mass., February 4, 1854, and attended the public schools there. He has been engaged in mercantile business since 1878, and from 1883 up to the present time has been connected with the hardware firm of A. F. Mulliken & Sons. His parents were James K. Emery, and Caroline H. Goodwin Emery. He was married in Plymouth, N. H., April 19, 1875, to Sarah G. Bickford, daughter of Charles R. and Melvina Bickford. He has one son, Charles S. Emery, born December 21, 1879, now a clerk in the employ of F. W. George of Wells River, Vt. Noble Emery is a member of a Masonic lodge; Franklin R. A. Chapter; Hiram Council, R. & S. M.; St. Girard Commandery, K. T.; Littleton Lodge of Perfection; Lancaster Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Edward A. Raymond Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple; also a member of Lafayette Chapter No. 17, O. E. S. He is a past grand of Moosehillock Lodge No. 25, I. O. O. F., a past district deputy grand master, and past member of the Mary H. Glidden Rebekah Lodge.

T. B. WALKER

Of Newport, Vt., was born in Albany, Vt., November 9, 1872, and attended the public schools of St. Johnsbury, Vt. He is the son of Robert M. and H. Louise Haines Walker, his father alone surviving. During most of his working life he has been a locomotive engineer, which is his present occupation. He is a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. As a means of recreation he is fond of automobiling, and is also devoted to baseball and the pastime of fishing. He belongs to Crescent Lodge, F. & A. M., of Lyndonville, Vt.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple.

W. P. Heal

Henry Lockwell Root

G. H. Root

W. E. Emery

L. B. Wallar

EDWARD J. MERRILL

A locomotive engineer on the Boston & Maine Railroad, has filled that position from July, 1886, up to the present time, a period of more than twenty-three years. He was the son of John B. and Eleanor P. Johnson Merrill of Epsom, N. H. He was born in Epsom, December 30, 1862, and was educated in the public schools and in Pittsfield Academy, graduating from the latter institution in 1880, after taking a special course in marine engineering. He was married in Barton, Vt., to Cora Adela Watson, daughter of Henry E. and Mary Rowena Pettigrew Watson of Lyndonville, Vt., October 30, 1907. Mrs. Merrill is a member of Rebekah Lodge, Juniper Branch No. 9. Noble Merrill likes hunting for sport and is a studious reader of general literature. His home is in Newport, Vt. He belongs to Crescent Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection, and joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1896. He is also on the roll of Union Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Lyndonville, and is a past member of the Lyndonville Club. In politics he is a Republican.

EDGAR J. PROUTY

Connected with the lumber firm of Prouty & Miller, of Newport, Vt., was born December 2, 1870, in Newport, and still makes that town his home. His father was John A. Prouty, and his mother Sarah Hannah Wood Prouty. Noble Prouty attended the public schools of Newport, Boston and South Framingham, Mass., and later took a business course in French's Business College of Boston, and has since been connected with the lumber trade. He is a Republican, and was village trustee from 1904 to 1906. His favorite sport is fishing, in which he often indulges, and he is also fond of automobiling. His reading embraces general literature, particularly the better class of fiction, and the daily papers. He attends the Congregational Church, also belongs to Memphremagog Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter, Orleans Council, R. & S. M., and Malta Commandery, entering the Temple in 1906, and is a member of the Young Men's Improvement Club of Newport and the Memphremagog Yacht Club. He was married, June 12, 1890, in Lowell, Mass., to Ellen Eliza Bean, daughter of Charles S. Bean, of Coventry, Vt. They have three children: Charles Burton, born March 17, 1901; Richard Palmer, born September 28, 1903, and Ellenor Wood, born November 25, 1907.

GEORGE HERBERT PROUTY

The present Governor of Vermont, is one of the prominent Masons of the State, as well as having long been one of its leading citizens. He was born March 4, 1862, in Newport, Vt., the son of John A. and Hannah B. Lamb Prouty, both of whom have passed on. He received his education in the public schools of his native town and in St. Johnsbury Academy, later took a course at the Bryant & Stratton Business College in Boston, and afterwards engaged in the lumber trade, which he has continued ever since; from 1881 up to the present time being a member of the lumber manufacturing firm of Prouty & Miller, of Newport. He was elected Governor at the State election in September, 1908. He attends the Congregational Church, and is a diligent reader of historical works and the higher class of general literature, and for recreation indulges in automobiling. Governor Prouty is a Mason of high degree, and bears allegiance to Memphremagog Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; Edward Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple, having entered the latter body in 1895. Besides his Masonic connections he is affiliated with many other organizations and societies, being a past worthy patron in the Eastern Star, a member of the St. George Club of Sherbrook, Quebec; of the Young Men's Improvement Club, the Memphremagog Yacht Club of Newport, and Ethan Allen Club of Burlington, Vt. Governor Prouty was married December 1, 1890, in Rockville, Conn., to Henrietta Allen of that town. It is almost needless to state that the Governor's political affiliations are with the Republican Party. His home is on Main Street, Newport.

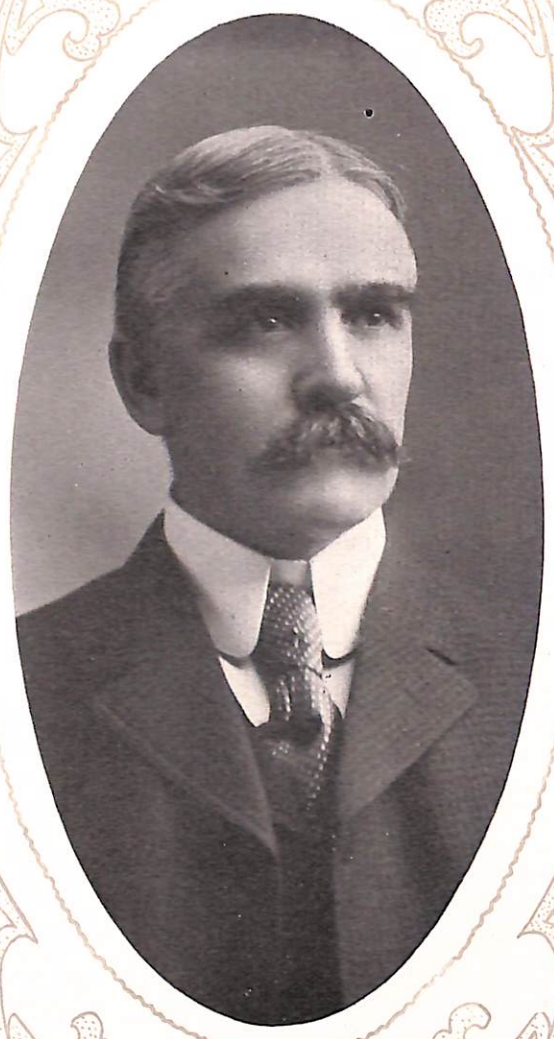
EDWIN B. TRUE

Of Newport, Vt., has been superintendent of water works in that town for the past eleven years. In 1865 he was in partnership with H. S. Root, and has also been a farmer, continuing the pursuit of agriculture even up to the present time. He was born in Derby, Vt., June 12, 1832, the son of Daniel and Betsey Dane True, natives of Vermont. He was educated in the public schools and Derby Academy. October 25, 1853, he was married to Mary S. Root of Coventry, Vt., daughter of Horace W. and Lucy Stockwell Root of Rochester, Vt. Noble True has a notable Masonic record. He belongs to Memphremagog Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°; and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1899. He has held all the offices of the blue lodge, having been master four years; high priest in the chapter fourteen years; thrice illustrious master in Orleans Council eleven years; past thrice potent master for ten years, in the Lodge of Perfection; commander for five years in the Commandery; and is past grand junior warden of Grand Lodge, past grand royal arch captain of the Grand Chapter, past grand master in the Grand Council, first grand lieutenant commander of the Council of Deliberation, and past venerable chief of Vermont Masonic Veterans' Association. He is also a member of the Young Men's Improvement Club and the Memphremagog Club of Newport. In his religious belief he is a Congregationalist.

OZIAS B. GOULD, M. D.

A successful physician of Newport, Vt., the son of S. Gould and Elmira Boynton Gould of Barnston, Quebec He also was born in Barnston, August 19, 1852, and attended the public schools there, graduating from the high school. He has been married twice, his first wife being Ella Rowell, and his second, Mrs. Mary Caswell Lawrence of Lyndonville, Vt., a member of the Eastern Star. His specialty in the medical profession consists of chronic cases. He belongs to Memphremagog Lodge; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Malta Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, and also holds membership in Lakeside Chapter, Eastern Star, of Newport, the Memphremagog Yacht Club, the State Medical Society, and the Orleans County Medical Society. Automobiling is his favorite form of recreation, and his reading is largely devoted to historical and medical works and the magazines.

Edw J Morris



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EDWARD DOOLIN

Of Newport, Vt., is a native of Liverpool, England. His father, also a native of Liverpool, was Richard Doolin, and a member of the Roman Catholic Church. His mother, Elizabeth Holmes Doolin, a native of Glasgow, Scotland, was a member of the Episcopal Church. Noble Doolin attended the Liverpool schools, and October 30, 1899, was married in Magog, Province of Quebec, to Emily Edith Wheeler, daughter of Alfred Henry and Esther Davis Wheeler of Bristol, England. Their children are: Florence, born November 29, 1900; George, born November 27, 1903, and Cornelia, born July 6, 1906. He is a member of Memphremagog Lodge; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., July 2, 1908.

ULYSSES ALBERT HARRIS

A successful farmer for the past twenty-five years, is a native of Newport, Vt., where he still lives. He is the son of Willard Harris of that town and May Brown Harris of Plainfield. He was born April 2, 1864; attended the public schools, and finished his education in Montpelier Seminary, taking a special course in English. He was married July 16, 1887, to Lucy Smith of Newport, whose parents were Henry Smith of St. Albans and Amanda Phillips Smith of Franklin, Vt. Their children are Kathleen Mildred and Gertrude Nettie. He is enrolled in Memphremagog Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Newport Lodge of Perfection; Malta Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. A Republican in politics, he was selectman from 1897 to 1901, and has been a justice of the peace since 1900. He is a Baptist in his religious belief. His wife is a member of the Daughters of Liberty. He likes autoing, and his spare hours are devoted to reading general literature, the newspapers and leading magazines.

JERRY F. LAMBERT

A merchant of Newport, Vt., was born in East Highgate, that State, June 13, 1857, and attended the public schools of Vermont. His father, Frank Lambert, who is of French nativity, is living. His mother, Olive Barnes Lambert, was of English birth. He was married, July 9, 1880, to Gertrude Scott, the daughter of W. W. Scott and Lizzie Green Scott. He is a member of Memphremagog Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Cleveland Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Valley Chapter of Rose Croix; Burlington Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple, into which he was received in 1902. He belongs to the local boat club, votes the Republican ticket, and is fond of automobiling. His religious affiliations are with the Congregational Church.

JOHN BROWN

Of Newport, Vt., has been a Canadian Pacific Railroad engineer from 1885 to the present time. Bradford, Vt., was his birthplace, being born there on May 1, 1871. He attended the public schools of his native town and at an early age began his railroad experience. His parents were John and Julia Wing Brown. His father is living. In addition to membership in the Locomotive Engineers; he is of St. John's Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection, 14°; Scottish Rite; and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is a Republican. Noble Brown is not married, and in his leisure moments he enjoys fishing as well as the reading of historical and technical works.

LEON COLODNY

Of Newport, Vt., was born in Piusk, Russia, August 15, 1865, and attended the public schools of that place. His father was Moses Judah Colodny, and his mother Celia Colodny, is living. He was married January 27, 1901, in New York, to Miss Sarah Livingston, daughter of Samuel Livingston of that city. They have two children, Raymond and Merriam R. They are of the Jewish faith. He is a member of Memphremagog Lodge; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Newport Lodge of Perfection; Edward Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°; and Mt. Sinai Temple. He followed a mercantile life for twelve years, up to 1900, and since that year has been conducting a general merchandise business. He is an ardent fisherman, and his favorite reading is ancient history. He is a Republican in politics, and a member of Memphremagog Club of Newport.

CHARLES O. WHITCHER

Of Woodsville, N. H., has been engaged in the insurance business a number of years. At present he is connected with the Massachusetts Mutual Life Co. He was born in East Landaff, N. H., November 21, 1852, the son of Samuel and Emily Quimby Whitcher, both of American birth. He attended the public schools of New Hampton, N. H., and was married to Miss Josephine V. Kimball, daughter of Abner Kimball of Franklin, N. H. They have one child, Kate D. Whitcher. In his religious affiliations, Noble Whitcher is an Universalist. He is fond of outdoor sports and enjoys traveling. He is a member of Kane Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Franklin R. A. Chapter; Hiram Council, R. & S. M.; St. Girard Commandery, K. T.; Littleton Lodge of Perfection; Lancaster Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and New Hampshire Consistory. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1903, and is also a member of the Odd Fellows.

E. Hoobin

U. A. Harris

J. F. Lambert

John Brown

Lean, Colodny

ELIJAH CHRISTOPHER HUNTINGTON

Of Newport, Vt., was born in Randolph, Vt., May 18, 1873, the son of Elijah and Ellen A. Black Huntington. His mother, who is from Coventry, Vt., is still living. His father was from Randolph, Vt. He was married in Montpelier, June 11, 1895, to Ina Bartlett, daughter of Joel and May Bannister Bartlett, of Randolph, and has one child, Dean Bartlett Huntington, born May 19, 1908. Noble Huntington belongs to Memphremagog Lodge, F. & A. M., in which he has risen to senior warden; Cleveland R. A. Chapter, of which he has been royal arch captain; Malta Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, dating his entrance to the latter body on June 1, 1906. From 1893 to 1902 he was a clerk for the Canadian Pacific Railroad; from 1902 to 1904 yardmaster's clerk, and since the latter year has been yardmaster for two railroads. He attends the Baptist Church, and is fond of all outdoor sports, particularly hunting, fishing and autoing.

CHARLES LOVEJOY ERWIN, M. D.

Of Newport Center, Vt., is a native of Sheldon, Vt., where he was born February 5, 1844, the son of Ralph and Jane Riley Erwin, both natives of Ireland. He attended the public schools and graduated from Franklin Academy, afterwards taking a special course in the Medical College of the University of Vermont. Since 1867 he has been a practicing physician. His wife was Miss Ella Sleeper, daughter of George L. and Eliza Blake Sleeper of Newport Center, to whom he was married in Newport, June 17, 1884. They have two children: Marjorie, born September 29, 1885, and Barbara F., born April 14, 1891. Both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Church. He was supervisor of the insane from 1896 to 1902; trustee of Hospital for Insane from 1904 to 1906; was State representative from the town in 1876, 1877, 1882 and 1883; and senator from Orleans County in 1894. He belongs to Memphremagog Lodge; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of the Odd Fellows, Woodmen, Junior Order of American Mechanics, and the G. A. R., filling many offices in all of these. His favorite pastime is fishing, and he is a reader of good literature.

LORENZO DOW MILES

Of Newport, Vt., was born in St. Johnsbury, Vt., September 25, 1838, and attended the public schools of Vermont. He served in the War of the Rebellion from 1861 to 1864 in Company E, Third Regiment, Vermont Volunteers. His father was Orrin Miles of Danville, Vt., and his mother, Eunice Clark Miles, a native of St. Johnsbury, Vt. Noble Miles was married, March 14, 1865, to Harriet E. Lord, daughter of Eben K. and Jeanette Gregg Lord of Stowe, Vt. His wife died September 25, 1908, at the age of sixty-three. He was elected sheriff of Orleans County in 1884, and has held the office continuously to date; was also appointed deputy United States marshal in 1898 and resigned in 1909. He has three children: Carrie E. Biddell, Edward F. and Frank E. Miles. Hunting and fishing are his favorite pastimes. He is a member of Memphremagog Lodge No. 65, F. & A. M.; Cleveland Chapter No. 20; Orleans Council No. 19, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery No. 10; and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in 1906, besides being enrolled in the Eastern Star. In politics he is a Republican.

DAVID W. DAVIDSON

Of Newport, Vt., has been enrolled in Mt. Sinai Temple since 1899. His Masonic affiliations are with Memphremagog Lodge; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; Edward Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; and Vermont Consistory. He is likewise a member of the Order of Railway Conductors and the Memphremagog Yacht Club. He has been a conductor of the Boston & Maine Railroad since 1889. He was born in Edinburg, Scotland, August 9, 1871, and attended the public schools of Northfield, Mass. He was the son of William Davidson. He is a Presbyterian. In politics he favors the Democratic Party. Hunting, fishing, and outdoor sports find favor with him, and historical and general literature are his choice for reading.

HENRY BURGESS

Of Newport, Vt., has been with the house of Blodgett & Burgess, clothiers, since 1904. Before that time he was a salesman with another clothing house in that town from 1897 to 1904, and had previously been employed with a Norton, Vt., concern. He was born in London, England. After coming to America he was a clerk and assistant of the Dominion Lime Co. of Canada, and remained in its employ five or six years. His parents were Edmund and Charlotte Golding Burgess of London. He was married in Island Pond, Vt., August 11, 1897, to Miss Emily Bishop of Norton, Vt. Her parents were William H. and Margaret Henderson Bishop, her father being a native of Michigan and her mother of Quebec. Their two children are Edmund Bishop and Colin Henry. Noble Burgess is fond of all outdoor sports, especially hunting and fishing, and for reading prefers historical works. In politics he is Independent. His temple of the Shrine is Mt. Sinai; his lodge, Memphremagog; his chapter, Cleveland, where he is high priest; his commandery, Malta; and in the Scottish Rite he has reached the sixteenth degree, through the medium of Newport Lodge of Perfection. He is a member of Memphremagog Yacht Club.

Elijah L. Huntington

L. D. Miles

C. L. Erwin

D. H. Davidson

Henry Burgess

JOHN G. McEWEN

Of Newport, Vt., was born in Georgeville, province of Quebec, June 9, 1871, and went to the public schools of that town. His parents, both of Scotch birth, are living. They are Alexander and Mary Ann Cobbin McEwen, the former born in March, 1841, and the latter in December, 1838. During the summer months he is engaged as first mate on the steamer "Lady of the Lake," and in winter he fills the position of conductor on the Boston & Maine Railroad. He was married to Laura McShane, daughter of Robert McShane, now dead, and Elizabeth Buzzell McShane, and they have one child, Mary Elizabeth. Noble McEwen is an enthusiastic hunter and fisherman. He belongs to Memphremagog Lodge; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Malta Commandery, K. T.; and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he joined in 1906, and is also a member of the Eastern Star.

FRED C. NELSON

A locomotive engineer on the Boston & Maine Railroad, and his home is on Coventry Street, Newport, Vt. He was born in Craftsbury, Vt., November 28, 1875, and attended the public schools of Hardwick, Vt. His parents were George and Mary Cass Nelson, both natives of Craftsbury, of whom only his father is living. He has never married, and has been a locomotive engineer since 1904, when he first took charge of the throttle. He is of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. In reading, he is particularly inclined to the better class of fiction, and also pays attention to the newspapers, keeping himself well posted on the news of the day. While he likes all forms of outdoor sports, partiality is shown for fishing and the great national game of baseball. He is affiliated with Memphremagog Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Malta Commandery, K. T.; and Mt. Sinai Temple, having joined the latter in 1908. He votes the Republican ticket.

HORACE STEWART HASKELL

Of Derby Line, Vt., is one of the best known men in the Green Mountain State. He was the donor of the Haskell Free Library of Derby Line with an endowment of one hundred thousand dollars, and is the president of that fine institution. He is a native of Derby Line, where he was born August 9, 1860, the son of Carlos F. and Martha M. Stewart Haskell. He attended the schools of Derby Line and of Stanstead, Canada. He was married to Miss Bella W. Whyte of La Chute, province of Quebec, Canada, and they had one son, Tracy S., born June 14, 1885. Noble Haskell belongs to Golden Rule Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Stanstead, Canada; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; and the Lodge of Perfection, Newport, Vt.; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple. Other bodies in which he holds membership are the Vermont Society of Colonial Wars, Vermont Society Sons of American Revolution, and Gentlemen of the Council. In 1898 he was an aide-de-camp on the Governor's staff with the rank of colonel.

CURTIS S. EMERY

Born in Brookfield, Vt., November 6, 1861, but removed to Chelsea with his parents in 1869, and resided there until 1905, when he went to Newport, Vt. He attended the public schools and Chelsea Academy, taught a few terms, and read law with the late C. W. Clarke. He was admitted to the bar in December, 1883, and practiced his profession in Chelsea until he became cashier there of the First National Bank, which position was held about seven years, when he resigned in February, 1893, to resume the practice of law. In November, 1894, he was appointed clerk of Orange County, and has since held that position. He was county commissioner of Orange County for ten years, beginning in 1885, and also represented Chelsea in the legislature of 1888, being the youngest member of the House. In 1898 he again represented his town, serving on the Judiciary Committee and as chairman of the committee on State and court expenses. In 1900 his town returned him to the House, where he was made chairman of the Committee on Railroads and a member of the Judiciary Committee. In 1902 he was elected to the State Senate, and served on the Judiciary Committee, chairman of the Committee on Railroads, and chairman of the Joint Committee on Temperance, as well as on the Joint Committee on Insurance. He was on the military staff of Governor Edward C. Smith, with the rank of colonel. He has always been a Republican, and since becoming twenty-one has continuously been upon either the town, county or State committee. He is at the present time collector of United States customs for the district of Memphremagog, and resides in Newport, Vt. He has for many years been a director of the Union Mutual Fire Insurance Co., is now president of the Vermont People's Telephone Co., and head of the Young Men's Improvement Club of Newport. He is a member of George Washington Lodge No. 51, of Chelsea, and is a past master; belongs to Whitney R. A. Chapter of Randolph; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., of Montpelier; Beulah Chapter, O. E. S., of Randolph; Newport Lodge of Perfection, of which he has been deputy master; Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°; and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is enrolled in Montpelier Lodge of Elks, the Vermont Bar Association, and numerous other organizations, and in leisure time indulges in hunting, fishing and boating. May 12, 1884, he was married to Miss Harriet J. Ordway, and they have three children: Sallie Helena, born August 16, 1886; Donald, born December 25, 1888; and Doris Elizabeth, born November 1, 1897.

GEORGE FISH ADAMS, A. B., M. D.

Was born in Newport, Vt., March 20, 1854, the son of Ira A. and Mary Fish Adams. He attended the public schools of that town and fitted for college in New Hampton Institute. He graduated from Bates College in 1876; studied medicine one year in Dartmouth and two years in the University of Vermont Medical School, graduating from the latter in 1879, and has been in the active practice of his profession ever since that time. Noble Adams was married, June 1, 1884, to Miss Cora Cheney, daughter of Nathan and Miranda Powers Cheney, of Lunenburg, Vt., and they have two children: George Cheney and Irving Robert. His Masonic affiliations are Oriental Star Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; and Malta Commandery, K. T.; and he has been connected with Mt. Sinai Temple since 1907. He has resided in West Derby since 1890. He is a member of the Vermont State Medical Society, has been president of the Orleans County Medical Society and was health officer of the town of Derby for twelve years, as well as being a member of the first Board of Village Trustees and treasurer for several years. He is United States examiner of recruits, and is interested in farming in a practical way, as he owns a large farm in town. In politics he is a Republican, and his religious preference is Congregationalist.

John G McEwen

Fred C Nelson

H. S. Haskell.

O. S. Emery

G. F. Adams M.D.

FRED D. PIERCE

A pharmacist of Barton, Vt., a native of that town, and is the son of H. C. and Altha Dutton Pierce. His father was born October 14, 1850, his mother, July 3, 1855. After attending the public schools he became a student in Barton Academy, graduating from there in 1900. He then entered Dean Academy, and later the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, taking a course there from 1901 to 1903. He has been in business for himself in Barton since 1906. He is fond of hunting, fishing, and motor boating, these being his favorite pastimes. He was married, October 18, 1904, to Florence Kent, daughter of S. H. Kent of St. Johnsbury, Vt. He belongs to Orleans Lodge, F. & A. M.; Keystone R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection and, since June 1, 1906, to Mt. Sinai Temple. At present he is town and village treasurer, and also treasurer of Barton Academy. In politics he is a Republican, and attends the Congregational Church.

CLARE RICHARD POWELL

An attorney at law and member of the firm of Powell & Thompson, fire insurance agents at Barton, Vt., and has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since June 1, 1906. He was made a Mason in Orleans Lodge No. 55, and was exalted in Keystone R. A. Chapter No. 16, both of Barton. He was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Malta Commandery No. 10, of Newport, Vt. Noble Powell is a native of Barton, where he was born October 18, 1881, the son of the late Francis K. Powell of Barton and Sarah E. Pattee of Springfield, Mass. He is the youngest member of the Orleans County bar. He read law with Judge Willard W. Miles of Barton, and was admitted to the bar of Vermont in October, 1903, and since then has practiced his profession in his native town, where his father was a prominent merchant. In politics Noble Powell is a Republican. He is single and is fond of music. He is a member of the Le Beau Lac Boat Club of Barton, of the Eastern Star (Orient Chapter No. 13); of the Modern Woodmen of America; the New England Fat Men's Club, and the Vermont Bar Association.

GEN. FRANK G. BUTTERFIELD

A veteran of the Civil War, and is connected with many fraternal and social organizations. He was formerly department commander of the G. A. R. and Vermont Commandery, M. O. L. Legion; vice-president of the Sixth Army Corps; vice-president of the S. A. R., also Vermont Fish and Game League, and the North American Fish and Game League. He belongs to the Memphremagog Yacht Club, Burlington Yacht Club and Barton Yacht Club, while his favorite sport is fishing. His profession is that of a lawyer, but he has been engaged in manufacturing since 1888. He held the position of chief of Division Bureau of Pensions, which he first entered in 1880, resigning in 1892. He is likewise vice-president of Butterfield & Co., Inc., of which his son is treasurer. He was born in Rockingham, Vt., May 11, 1842, the son of David and Elmira Ward Randall Butterfield. He attended Middlebury College, in the class of 1863. In Freemasonry he has attained all the Scottish Rite degrees, his consistory being Vermont. He belongs to the Lodge of Perfection, Princes of Jerusalem, and Rose Croix Chapter, in Newport. He was knighted in Hugh de Payens Commandery of Keene, N. H.; was eminent preceptor of Essex Preceptory of Sherbrooke, Quebec; received his Cryptic Rite degrees in Newport Council, the Capitular degrees in Abenaqui Chapter, and took his first steps in King Solomon Temple Lodge of Bellows Falls in 1863. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1888. He is a Republican, and his religious affiliation is Congregational. He resides in Derby Line, Vt.

J. B. WINGET

Collector and treasurer of the town of Orleans, Vt., holding office as a Republican. For some years he has conducted blacksmithing there, and also a machine implement and hardware business in connection with it. He is a native of Canada, having been born there June 20, 1871, and is the son of William and Josie Winget, natives of England. He was married in Canada, June 20, 1894, to Kate Desilet, daughter of Ostave and Naomi Rolf Desilet, and they have two children, Ibra Morrison, born October 5, 1897, and Gladys Mildred, born November 2, 1895. He attends the Congregational Church. His favorite pastime is fishing, and he is a great reader of history. He belongs to Valley Lodge, Keystone R. A. Chapter, the K. T. Commandery, Edward W. Roby Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and was made a Shriner December 14, 1906. In addition he belongs to the Knights of Pythias, having filled all the offices; the Canadian Order of Foresters, and the Modern Woodmen of America.

WILLIAM H. WINGET

Of Irasburg, Vt., was born in the town of Ascot, province of Quebec, Canada, January 25, 1863. His parents, both natives of England, were William and Josie Widger Winget. He attended the public school of his native place, and later removed to Vermont. He was married in Newport, Vt., December 24, 1887, to Rose D. Douglass of Coventry, Vt., daughter of Louis M. Douglass, a native of Napierville, province of Quebec, and Eliza Betters Douglass, a native of Lake Megantic in the same province. Mr. and Mrs. Winget have two children: Blanche M., born July 27, 1892, and Florence M., born October 10, 1895. Since April 21, 1887, Noble Winget has conducted a blacksmithing business, besides being a dealer in gasoline, iron, steel, and heavy hardware. September 3, 1890, he became a naturalized citizen. He belongs to Central Lodge No. 62, F. & A. M.; Keystone R. A. Chapter No. 16; Orleans Council No. 19, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery No. 10, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; Colton Chapter No. 66, O. E. S., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., July 2, 1908. He is a member of the New England Fat Men's Club, the Automobile Club of Vermont, and the American Automobile Association. In politics he is a Democrat, and attends the Episcopal Church. His favorite pastimes are hunting, fishing, and automobiling. He is partial to light fiction.

Fred D. Pierce

Clare Richard Powell

H. L. Butler Field

John B. Winget

William H. Winget

JOHN HERON HOYT

Of Glover, Vt., was born in the town of Newport, Vt., July 22, 1843, the son of Benjamin Hoyt, born August 24, 1809, and Roxana Heron, born August 29, 1806. He attended the public schools of Newport, and was married June 11, 1870, to Flora Phillips, daughter of Josiah and Emily Blanchard Phillips of Glover. Mrs. Hoyt died eight years previous to his own demise, leaving him with three daughters: M. Gertrude, born March 10, 1872; Helen R., born November 10, 1878, and Julia B., born January 18, 1885. He was a farmer in Newport and Troy until he moved to Glover in 1896, and from that time till his death was engaged in the laundry business at Barton. He joined Masonic Union Lodge, F. & A. M., of Troy, and was past master of it, but in 1897 was dimitted to Orleans Lodge No. 55, F. & A. M., at Barton. He was also a member of Keystone R. A. Chapter No. 16, of Barton, and Orleans Council No. 19, R. & S. M., of Newport, besides Malta Commandery No. 10, K. T., of Newport. Noble Hoyt joined Mt. Sinai Temple in December, 1906, and was a member and worthy patron of Orient Chapter No. 13, O. E. S., of Barton, at the time of his death. He was also a member of Glover Grange No. 272 of Glover, Vt. In belief he was an Adventist, and in politics a Democrat. His death occurred at Glover, December 5, 1908.

WILLIAM A. ROYSTAN

Of Barton, is the son of William A. and Luella Connor Roystan, natives of Canada, who moved to Troy, Vt., when he was eight years of age, where he attended the public schools. After his school days he worked as a farmer until November, 1905, when he engaged in the taxidermist line with C. S. Phillips of Glover, Vt., June 16, 1897. He was married to Helen Hoyt, daughter of John H. and Flora E. Hoyt, and on January 1, 1910, started in the photograph business in Barton, Vt. He is a member of Orleans Lodge No. 55, F. & A. M.; Keystone R. A. Chapter No. 16, of Barton, Vt.; Malta Commandery No. 10, K. T., Newport, Vt.; Mt. Sinai Temple, and past worthy patron of Orient Chapter No. 13, O. E. S., of Barton.

J. G. TURNBULL

Of Orleans, Vt., has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since May 24, 1901. He is one of the most active business men of Orleans, being president of the J. G. Turnbull Co., extensive creamery operators and dealers in flour and feed, and is also president of the Central Savings Bank and Trust Company since its organization in 1905. He was born at Valleyfield, in the province of Quebec, September 5, 1861, the son of Peter Turnbull, a native of Scotland, and Janet Kennedy Turnbull. For a time he operated a creamery at Glover, Vt., but removed to Orleans in 1891 and bought a small creamery. This he quickly put on a paying basis, and within a few years had acquired other creameries at Charleston, Newport Center, Albany, Troy, Coventry, Lowell, Derby, and Greens Corner, meantime incorporationg the J. G. Turnbull Co. to better conduct the vast business he had built up, controlling the creamery trade of that section and having an output of two million pounds of butter a year,—and this from a modest start of thirty thousand pounds the first year he located in Orleans. He married Agnes McKnown in Orleans in 1891, and they have two children: Leon D., born in August, 1892, and Randolph W., born in December, 1896. Although never an office seeker, Mr. Turnbull was unanimously chosen as the Republican representative of the town of Barton in 1906, for the legislative session of 1906-07, and at the town meeting of 1909 he was unanimously chosen as one of the selectmen. Noble Turnbull is past master of Valley Lodge, F. & A. M., and past high priest of Keystone R. A. Chapter; also a member of Orleans Council, R. & S. M., and of Malta Commandery, K. T.; likewise a member of the Scottish Rite-Newport Lodge of Perfection; Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. He is a Knight of Pythias, and is past chancellor of Philemon Lodge of Orleans.

F. P. WHEELER

Born in Westmore, Vt., May 29, 1874, the son of Charles and Amy D. Dutton Wheeler, both parents living. He attended the schools of Orleans, Vt., and on July 7, 1894, was married to Carrie Myrtle Ansell of Ayer's Cliff, Quebec, daughter of Henry Ansell, a native of England, and Sarah J. Edwards Ansell. They have five children: Charlotte, born July 7, 1896; Ansell, born August 3, 1898; Paul D., born November 14, 1901; Charles F., born November 8, 1904, and Frank E., born July 25, 1906. Noble Wheeler is a member of Sullivan Lodge No. 12, of Charlestown, N. H., as well as Sullivan Chapter and Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He attends the Episcopal Church, and his business address is Mansfield Depot, Conn.

ALBERT D. BEEDE

Born in Irasburg, Vt., December 8, 1867. His parents were Joshua Beede, born in Wheelock, Vt., and Mary Campbell, who was born in Scotland and came to this country when eight years old; moved to Orleans, Vt. (formerly Barton Landing), in 1873. In 1901 he entered the mercantile business with Herbert H. Cowles, but four years later bought out his partner's interest, and since then has conducted the business alone. He was the first worshipful master of Valley Lodge No. 106, F. & A. M.; is a member of Keystone R. A. Chapter No. 16; Orleans Council No. 19, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery No. 10, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Montpelier, Vt. He has served as grand pursuivant in the Grand Lodge, and as district deputy grand master of the tenth Masonic district, for two years. He was the first worthy patron of Intervale Chapter No. 61, O. E. S.; was district deputy grand patron one term, and is also a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Modern Woodmen. He was a representative to the Republican Convention in St. Johnsbury in 1908. He was married, October 16, 1897, to Miss Annie E. Lothrop of Orleans, daughter of Edward H. and Mary A. Lothrop. Two children were born to them: Helen L., June 25, 1899, and Park C., October 24, 1904. His wife died March 17, 1907. She was a member of the O. E. S., and held offices in the chapter in Orleans, Vt.

FRANK B. TOWER

Has been conducting a milling business from 1903 to the present time, in Barton, Vt., in which town he lives. He is a native of Coventry, Vt., where he was born August 21, 1881, the son of Amos M. and Ellen Foster Tower, both of whom are living. He attended the Barton public schools, and was married, August 14, 1908, to Mary Webster, daughter of Albert Webster of Coventry. Boating is Noble Tower's favorite pastime, while in politics he votes the Republican ticket. He is a member of Orleans Lodge, Keystone R. A. Chapter; Malta Commandery, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; was admitted to the Shrine in 1906, and also belongs to the Modern Woodmen of America.

S. H. Hoyt

W. A. Royston

J. G. Trumbull

J. P. Wheeler

Albert D. Beede.

HENRY J. ISHAM

A member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1902 and resided at Morrisville. He was a member of Franklin Lodge of St. Albans, and of Vermont Consistory of the Scottish Rite. For twenty years he was engaged in the hotel business. He passed into the Unseen Temple January 1, 1910, after operation for appendicitis. Noble Isham was born in Fairfield, June 15, 1857, the son of Henry S. Isham of St. Albans, and Eunice M. Northup of Fairfield, who survives him. He married at Fairfax, August 10, 1884, Emma S. Prouty, daughter of Christopher Columbus Prouty of Sheldon, Vt., and Sarah Ann Chase of Franklin, Vt. Three children were born to them: Walter Herbert, February 13, 1888; Frank Spence, June 15, 1891, and Jennie Sarah, September 15, 19—. Noble Isham was affiliated with the Unitarian Church. He was a member of the Pastime Club and was popular with a large circle. For twelve years after retiring from the hotel business he was engaged as the traveling agent for a Boston firm and made his home at Morrisville, where, in fact, he had resided during the greater part of his life. He was fond of hunting and fishing and was of a jovial disposition. His smiling face has been greatly missed by hundreds of friends in and out of the Nobility.

DANA NOYES HUTCHINS

Street commissioner of the village of Morrisville, Vt., from 1889 up to the present time, is a native of Wolcott, Vt., where he was born January 17, 1856. He was married in Hyde Park, Vt., November, 1878, to Lilla K. Peck, daughter of Moses and Julia M. White Peck of Montpelier. He has one child, Harry G. Hutchins, who was born August 1, 1879. His religious affiliations are with the Universalist Church, and in politics he is a Democrat. He belongs to Mt. Vernon Lodge, F. & A. M.; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Lamoile Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple; is a member of Coral Chapter of the Eastern Star and of the Pastime Club of Morrisville. He was in the grocery trade for twenty years and had charge of the streets for five or six years while in that business. He was a candidate for State representative on the Democratic ticket in 1908, but was not successful. He likes all outdoor sports, being partial to horse trotting, and his reading embraces historical and scientific works as well as the newspapers.

ALBERT A. NILES

of Morrisville, Vt., is town clerk and treasurer, and has been village clerk and treasurer since 1900. By profession he is a lawyer, having been admitted to the bar in 1870, and from that time up to 1900 he was in the general practice of law. From 1872 to 1874 he was state's attorney, and was also county commissioner six years. He was born in Morristown, Vt., May 28, 1845, was educated in the public schools and People's Academy, graduating from the latter institution in 1869, and at Ann Arbor Law School, Mich. He is a veteran of the Civil War and a member of James M. Warner Post, G. A. R., of which he is past commander and has been adjutant for sixteen years. He was senior vice commander of the department of Vermont and assistant adjutant general and assistant quartermaster general between 1893 and 1903; senior vice department commander 1904, and aide-de-camp on the staffs of national commanders-in-chief, John C. Black, Thomas G. Lawler, and H. B. Brown. He belongs to Mt. Vernon Lodge, of which he has been secretary for ten or twelve years; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Lamoille Valley Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, the latter since 1908. He filled all the chairs in the chapter, and is a past high priest. He was married, January 10, 1872, to Clara M. Bradley, daughter of Harmon H. and Sarah G. Ferguson Bradley of Johnson, Vt. They have three children: Lula Anna, born June 1, 1873; Ila May, born September 1, 1875, and Lagan Albert, born May 30, 1889. Both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Church, and live at 49 Main Street, Morrisville. In his reading Noble Niles is partial to historical and scientific works.

H. D. BRYANT

Of Morrisville, Vt., was born in Barnard, Windsor County, that State, August 1, 1833, the son of Amos and Mariah Bryant. The family located in Morristown in 1844. He was educated in the People's Academy, Morristown. In early life he was engaged in farming, and from 1867 to 1884 he was an extensive dealer in live stock and farm produce, when he became station agent and took charge of the American Express and Telegraph office at Morrisville until 1900, more than sixteen years. He was later town tax collector, for seven years largely engaged in the collection business, and seven years deputy sheriff. He has written life, health, and accident insurance for fifteen years. He is a member of Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 8; Tucker R. A. Chapter No. 15, of which he is a past high priest, and of Lamoille Commandery No. 13, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple. In 1909, at the annual convocation, he was elected grand captain of the host of the Grand R. A. Chapter of the State of Vermont.

EDWIN H. VANCOR

Of Morrisville, Vt., is superintendent of the Citizens' Telephone Co., which is operated under a license from the New England Telephone & Telegraph Co. He has been engaged for several years in the electrical business. He was born in Milton, Vt., October 29, 1872, the son of James H. and Sarah Lombard Vancor. He attended the public schools of Burlington, Vt., and was married there January 9, 1895, to Addie M. Wood. They have three children: Edwin Wood, born June 12, 1897; Helen, born October 18, 1906, and Doris, born June 10, 1908. He is greatly interested in baseball and other sports, and is especially fond of hunting, while his reading is devoted chiefly to historical and educational works and books of travel. He is a Republican. He belongs to Mt. Vernon Lodge, in which he is senior warden; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Tucker Council, R. & S. M.; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., where he is captain of the third guard; and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., entering the Shrine in 1908. He is a member of the Pastime Club of Morrisville, and holds the rank of battalion sergeant major in the Vermont National Guard.

FRED H. PILLSBURY

Of Sutton has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1906. He was born in Barton, Vt., August 4, 1875, was educated in Barton Academy, Montpelier Seminary, and Wesleyan University. After his graduation he engaged in the lumber, woodwork, and plumbing business, but in 1897 started for himself as a manufacturer of flour. From 1902 to 1904 he was the representative of the town of Sutton in the State legislature, having been elected on the Republican ticket. Noble Pillsbury was married, March 14, 1899, to Florence Curran, daughter of S. O. and Susan Pierce Curran of Barton. He was brought to light in Masonry in Orleans Lodge No. 55, and was exalted in Keystone R. A. Chapter. The Cryptic degrees were conferred upon him in Newport Council of Royal and Select Masters, and the order of the Temple by Malta Commandery, K. T. Noble Pillsbury is fond of baseball and all other outdoor sports.

H. J. Dream

Dana N. Hutchins

H. D. Bryant

Albert A. Hilès

E. H. Vancon

HOWARD E. SHAW

Of Stowe, Vt., was born in that town May 26, 1867, and attended the public schools there. He is the son of Leonard A. and Lydia A. Shaw, his mother alone surviving. He is a Democrat and is now a school director in Stowe. For several years he worked as clerk for Miles, McMahon & Co. in a general store, but in 1895 started a mercantile business for himself, and three years later entered the lumber trade also. At this time he runs two sawmills and a butter box factory, also a grist mill, in addition to his mercantile line. March 5, 1895, he was married to Miss Nina B. Gale, daughter of Frank and Deett A. Warren Gale of Stowe. They have two children: Gale H., born August 24, 1896, and Ruby D., born August 8, 1898. Noble Shaw likes to fish and hunt, while his reading is devoted to general literature. He is on the roll of Mystic Lodge No. 56 of Stowe; Tucker R. A. Chapter, and Lamoille Commandery, K. T., No. 13, of Morrisville. He is at present captain general in the commandery and is also one of its charter members. He crossed the hot sands in Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of the Lake Mansfield Trout Club, and the Fish and Game League.

HARRY WILLARD BARROWS, M. D.

Resides in Stowe, Vt. He is an American, Camp physician, M. W. A.; a member of Phi Chi Medical Fraternity, and practices his profession in Stowe. He belongs to the State Medical Society and is health officer for Stowe. He is connected with the Democratic Party. He was born in Lebanon, N. H., January 6, 1866, attended the public schools of Bethel, Vt., graduating from the high school in 1887, and from U. V. M. Medical College in 1890. He practiced in Norwich, Vt., and since then in Stowe. His parents were Samuel Willard and Sibyl Amanda Chase Barrows, the former of Lebanon and the latter of Hanover, N. H. He was married, September 26, 1900, to Miss Lillie Caroline, daughter of Almon E. Douglas of Stowe, Vt., and Hattie C. Straw Douglas of Stowe, who are living. There are two children: Douglas Willard and Dorothy Sibyl. Noble Barrows is of the Universalist faith, the same as his parents. He takes delight in all out-door sports; scientific literature and medical journals are his favorite reading. He has been master of Mystic Lodge, F. & A. M.; is also enrolled in Tucker R. A. Chapter; Waterbury Council of Royal and Select Masters, and Lamoille Commandery, K. T. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple of the Mystic Shrine in 1908, and was one of its representatives to the Imperial Council in 1909.

CARROLL SMALLEY PAGE

Of Hyde Park was born in Westfield, Vt., January 10, 1843. He received an academic education. His principal business has been that of dealer in raw calfskins; while he is president of the Lamoille County Savings Bank and Trust Co., and of the Lamoille County National Bank, both of Hyde Park; a director of the Swanton Savings Bank and Trust Co. of Swanton, Vt., and of several lumber and other corporations; is also LL. D. of Norwich University. He represented Hyde Park in the House of Representatives from 1869 to 1872, and Lamoille County in the State Senate from 1874 to 1876; was a member of the Vermont Republican State Committee for eighteen years, from 1872 to 1890, and during the last four years was its chairman; was a delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1880; savings bank examiner from 1884 to 1888; governor of the state from 1890 to 1892, and was elected to the United States Senate, October 21, 1908, to fill a vacancy caused by the death of Hon. Redfield Proctor. He is a member of Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 8, F. & A. M., and Tucker R. A. Chapter No. 15, of Morrisville, Vt.; also Mt. Sinai Temple, Mystic Shrine, Montpelier. He is Republican in politics. April 11, 1865, he was married to Ellen Frances Patch of Johnson, Vt.

FRED E. WHEELER

Of Morrisville, Vt., was born in Wolcott, Vt., September 5, 1866, the son of James E. and Emma A. Wheeler. Noble Wheeler was married, July 3, 1888, to Angie Brown, daughter of Albert and Melvinie M. Tillotson Brown. He carried on blacksmithing at Morrisville in addition to being a dealer in harness and blankets. He was, in 1903, engaged in the livery and blacksmithing lines at Wolcott. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1908, and is connected with Mineral Lodge; Tucker R. A. Chapter, and Lamoille Commandery, K. T., as well as being a member of the Knights of Pythias and of the Pastime Club of Morrisville. He votes the Republican ticket.

CRAIG O. BURT

A resident of Stowe, Vt. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in 1908; is a member of Mystic Lodge, F. & A. M.; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., and belongs to the United Woodmen and Theta Chi of Northfield, 1902. He is treasurer of the C. E. & F. O. Burt Co.; is engaged in the lumber business, having followed that pursuit since 1902, while from 1905 he has been a school director of the town. He was born October 2, 1882, in Waterbury, Vt.; attended the public schools of Stowe, afterwards was a student in Norwich University, taking a special course in civil engineering, and was honorably discharged two years after entering. His parents were Frank and Lillian A. May Burt. He is a Democrat. Hunting, fishing, tennis, and other outdoor sports are his diversions, while his choice in reading is history and fiction.

WILLIAM WALLACE PECK

Of Morrisville, Vt., was engaged in the lumber business for a number of years, having been at one time a member of the firm of W. W. Peck & Sons, when he turned his attention to farming, which he now conducts in connection with his lumbering, very successfully. He was born in Wolcott, Vt., August 13, 1853, and went to the public schools of his native town. He is the son of Seth H. and Mary Ann Palmer Peck. He was married in Irasburg, Vt., in 1877, to Ida C. Trow of Wolcott, daughter of Joseph Trow of Barre, Vt., and Sarah C. Wells, who was from Underhill, Vt. Mrs. Peck died in 1903 after a short illness, leaving, besides her husband, two children: Fred Carroll, born in July, 1877, and Blanche Etta, who was born in July, 1881. Fishing and automobiling are favorite forms of recreation with Noble Peck, but he is also fond of all kinds of outdoor sports. He is a great reader of the leading magazines and newspapers. In 1896 he was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple, after being for some time a member of Mt. Vernon Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he was junior and senior warden; Tucker R. A. Chapter, and Lamoille Commandery. He is a member of the Pastime Club, a Republican, and was a village trustee in 1896.

Howard Elwin Shaw

Ernest S. Pay

A. W. Barrows, M. D.

Fred E. Wheeler

Craig O. Bunt

ERNEST NASON FORD

Now residing at Farnham, Quebec, has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since October 24, 1905. He was born in the township of Dunham, province of Quebec, February 7, 1871, and was educated at Sutton Academy. He is the son of Leonard Ford and Rosina Smith Ford. In 1891 he became telegrapher and station agent for the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railway, and in 1895 was transferred to St. Albans, Vt., as telegrapher. In 1901 he was promoted to train dispatcher, holding that position until March, 1907, when, because of ill health, he was compelled to retire. He removed to Farnham, Quebec, to become later train dispatcher for the Canadian Pacific Railway, when his health had been restored. He was married in Grace Church, Sutton, Quebec, September 4, 1907, to Bertha E. Scofield, daughter of Stewart Scofield and Mary J. Biglow Scofield of Sutton. He is a member of the Church of England. Noble Ford was brought to light in Masonry in Union Lodge No. 86, Thomaston, Conn., May 22, 1894, but in 1896 affiliated with Franklin Lodge No. 4, St. Albans, Vt. He was exalted in Champlain R. A. Chapter No. 1, and admitted to the ninth arch in Columbian Council No. 1, R. & S. M., afterwards joining Lafayette Commandery No. 3, K. T., St. Albans. He is a member of the Odd Fellows; of the Order of Foresters, and of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers; also a member of the Sutton Rifle Club and Citizens' Club, under the auspices of the Dominion Government.

LUCIUS SETH WHITE

Of St. Albans, Vt., has been a mail carrier in that city since January 1, 1889, a period of twenty years and more. Prior to entering the postal service he was engaged in the hotel business for a number of years. He was born in Waterbury, Vt., November 24, 1851, the son of John and Dolly Town White, both natives of Waterbury, and was educated in the public schools of his native town. He has been married twice: February 28, 1886, to Amanda A. Denton of Schuyler Falls, N. Y., and on April 27, 1904, to Anna E. Sanger of St. Albans. Like his parents, he is an attendant of the Episcopal Church, and in politics he is a Republican. He is fond of travel, and in his reading takes in general literature as well as the magazines and daily newspapers. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1902; is a member of Franklin Lodge No. 4, F. & A. M.; Champlain R. A. Chapter No. 1; Columbus Council No. 1, R. & S. M.; Lafayette Commandery No. 3, K. T.; Haswell Lodge of Perfection; Edward Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, A. A. S. R. He is also a member of the St. Albans Lodge of Odd Fellows.

ALFRED ALLEN HALL

Of St. Albans, Vt., is a superior judge and chancellor in the courts of Vermont, having been elected to the position in 1906. He is one of the most prominent Masons in the State, and has filled many high offices in the Order. He was born December 31, 1848, in Athens, Vt., the son of Richard Hart and Eliza Crowley Hall. He was educated in the common schools and at Leland and Gray Seminary in Townsend, Vt. After that he read law with Davis & Adams, from 1870 to 1873, and was admitted to the Franklin County bar in St. Albans at the April term of 1873. For twenty-eight years he was a member of the law firm of Wilson & Hall. Judge Hall entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1892. He also belongs to Franklin Lodge, F. & A. M.; Champlain R. A. Chapter; Columbus Council, R. & S. M.; Lafayette Commandery, K. T.; Haswell Lodge of Perfection; Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He has been a Mason since 1870, and has attended all the meetings of the Grand Lodge as a member since that time, with the exception of four. He was grand high priest at the age of thirty-one, grand commander at thirty-four and grand master at thirty-nine. He has attained the thirty-third degree, is an honorary member of the Supreme Council; sovereign grand inspectors general of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, and is past first president of the Masonic Veterans' Association of Vermont.

STEPHEN FLAVIUS BROWN

A member of the Vermont Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and of the G. A. R. in Chicago. His war experience was gained as first lieutenant in Co. K, Thirteenth Regiment, Vt., and captain of Co. A. Seventeenth Regiment, Vt., suffering the loss of an arm in the battle of the Wilderness. He was born in Swanton, Vt., April 4, 1841, and graduated from Bakersfield Academy. He studied law at the Albany Law School, which was conducted by the former Democratic candidate for the presidency, Judge Parker; was admitted to the bar in Illinois, and for eighteen years practiced his profession in Chicago. He was a member of the Taquhenga Club of Swanton, and the Union League Club of Chicago, and also belonged to the United States Grant Post, G. A. R., of Chicago. At the time he was called into the Unseen Temple he was a member of Jesse Jewett Post of Swanton; Knights Templar Commandery of St. Albans, and Thirteenth Vermont Regimental Association. His parents were Samuel Gibson and Anna Crawford Brown, both of whom have passed to the "great beyond." He was married January 22, 1896, to Mary A. McDonough of Chicago, Ill. Noble Brown died September 8, 1908.

EDWIN D. NASH

Engaged as a general superintendent in Bocas del Toro, Panama, was born September 24, 1852, in Shelburne Falls, Mass., and attended the schools of Northfield, Mass., graduating there in 1868. He has been conductor, train master, and superintendent of the Central Vermont Railroad. His parents were Albin and Mary A. Haley Nash, both of whom were American born; his mother is living. He was married September 27, 1874, and there is one child, a son, Marcellus E. Nash. Noble Nash is a member of Franklin Lodge, F. & A. M.; Champlain R. A. Chapter; Columbus Council, R. & S. M.; Lafayette Commandery, K. T.; Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple.

JOHN FRANK JACKSON

Of Morrisville, Vt., is a practicing dentist. He was born in Stowe, Vt., August 1, 1874, attended the public schools, then People's Academy, graduating in 1905. His parents were James Madison and Lucia Almira Jenney Jackson, the former of Sutton, province of Quebec, and the latter of Stowe. He believes in the doctrines of the Republican Party. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1908, and has been an officer in Mt. Vernon Lodge, F. & A. M.; Tucker R. A. Chapter, and Lamoille Commandery, K. T.; is also on the roll of the Pastime Club. He delights in hunting, fishing, and all outdoor sports, particularly baseball. For reading, his choice is works on dentistry, fiction, and the magazines. He is unmarried.

E. N. Ford

Hyde A. Hall

L. S. White

Stephen F. Brown

SILAS HOLYOKE DANFORTH

Of St. Albans, Vt., was born in Fairfield, that State, August 27, 1856, the son of Isaac H. and Laura Austin Danforth. He attended school in Fairfax and St. Albans, and since 1889 has been deputy collector of customs. In Freemasonry he has been accorded the highest honors in Craft, Capitular, Cryptic, and Templar subordinate bodies. His lodge is Franklin; his chapter Champlain; his council Columbus, and his commandery Lafayette. He is identified with Haswell Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. His temple is Mt. Sinai, which he joined in 1897. He is past grand senior deacon of the Grand Lodge of Vermont, F. & A. M.; grand principal sojourner of Grand R. A. Chapter of Vermont; past thrice illustrious grand master of Grand Council of Vermont, R. & S. M., and past venerable chief of Masonic Veterans' Association of Vermont. He is in the Fat Men's Club, having become eligible in 1909, and is not married. He takes kindly to fishing and is inclined to fiction and general literature for reading. He is a Republican.

DANIEL SYLVESTER DANFORTH

Became a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1897, was born in St. Albans, Vt., May 27, 1848, and attended the public schools of Fairfax, Vt. His father was Isaac Hill Danforth of Fletcher, Vt.; his mother, Laura L. Austin of New York. He is a Republican and has held the position of assistant judge of Franklin County Court since 1906. He was a passenger conductor on the Central Vermont Railroad from 1876 to 1887, when he resigned to engage in the hotel business in Montreal, where he remained three years. Judge Danforth was married January 22, 1868, to Miss Eunice G. Wheeler, daughter of Wakeman and Sarah King Wheeler of Fletcher, Vt. Noble Danforth's residence is St. Albans, Vt., and he takes a deep interest in the affairs of his city, town, county, and State. He has held the office of justice of the peace for eighteen years, has been school director, alderman, and jail commissioner. He is a past master of Franklin Lodge, F. & A. M.; past high priest of Champlain R. A. Chapter; past thrice illustrious master of Columbus Council, R. & S. M.; past commander of Lafayette Commandery, K. T., and past chief rabban of Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of Haswell Lodge of Perfection; Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. He was crowned a sovereign grand inspector general, 33°, at the annual session held in Milwaukee September 17, 1901. He is past grand master of the Grand Council of Vermont, past grand high priest of the Grand Chapter, and is now deputy grand commander of the Grand Commandery of Vermont, and grand marshal of the Grand Lodge. Noble Danforth is also an honored member of Lakeside Grange, P. of H.

OTIS NELSON KELTON

Judge of the Probate Court, St. Albans, Vt., is a Republican. He has practiced law since 1878 and been a judge since 1898. He was born in Montgomery, Vt., April 3, 1844, and received his education in the public schools of his native town, but later took a special course in Eastman business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. His father, Otis L., was born in Warwick, Mass., and his mother, Sarah L. Newcomb Kelton, in Greenfield, Mass. He was married to Miss Hatty B. Clapp, daughter of Joshua and Fannie Smith Clapp of Montgomery, September 11, 1871. Judge and Mrs. Kelton have four children: Eva Luthera, born January 31, 1874; Halle, January 25, 1875; Fanny Clapp, February 28, 1878, and Frank Caleb, November 25, 1881. He is of the Episcopal faith, is fond of travel, and enjoys reading the leading historical and scientific works. He became a Shriner in Mt. Sinai Temple June 2, 1899. He was worshipful master of Missisquoi Lodge, A. F. & A. M., three years; belongs to Lafayette R. A. Chapter; was treasurer of Cleveland Council, R. & S. M., two years, and is now thrice illustrious master; and was eminent commander of LaFayette Commandery, K. T., three years. He belongs to the Owl Club of St. Albans.

FRED H. KELLEY

Became a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple November 17, 1898. Politically he is a Democrat, holds the position of justice of the peace, is in the hotel, real estate, and insurance business, was deputy collector and inspector of customs for four years, and is now secretary of the Vermont Hotel Men's Association. He is a member of the Calumet Club, Knights of Pythias, and is affiliated with the following Masonic bodies: Missisquoi Lodge, Lafayette Chapter, and Lafayette Commandery, K. T. He was born April 22, 1874, in Hyde Park, and his parents, both of whom are living, are James F. and Flora A. Stewart Kelley. He graduated from the Swanton High School in 1891, and Eastman's College of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., in 1893. His first wife was Miss M. Gertrude McGettrick, now deceased. He was then married to Miss Grace M. Lucas, daughter of Frank E. and Caroline F. Guenther Lucas. Both families are Episcopalians, and they reside in Richford, Vt. He is fond of fishing and automobiling.

JAMES F. KELLEY

Proprietor of the American House at Richford, Vt., which he has conducted since 1893, was born in Coventry, Vt., November 23, 1847, the son of P. J. and Ellen Mullen Kelley, both natives of Ireland. He attended the public schools of Lowell, Vt., later taking a business course at Eaton's Commercial College in Boston. He was married in Hyde Park, Vt., October 29, 1872, to Flora A. Stewart, daughter of H. C. Stewart, a native of Lowell, Vt., and Maria H. Crowell Stewart, of Johnson, Vt. They have three children: Fred H., born April 22, 1874; Linwood M., born February 17, 1877, and Frank J., born December 15, 1878. Noble Kelley has been in the hotel business for thirty-six years. Prior to that he was a carpenter and builder. He was proprietor of the Union House in Hyde Park, Vt., from 1874 to 1877, of the American House in the same town from 1877 to 1880, the American House in Swanton, Vt., from 1880 to 1884, the Central House in Swanton from 1884 to 1892, and of the Alburg Springs Hotel from 1892 to 1893. He joined Dalhousie Lodge of Newtonville, Mass., in September, 1870, but is now a member of Missisquoi Lodge of Richford; also of Tucker R. A. Chapter No. 15, of Morrisville; of Lafayette Commandery No. 3, of St. Albans, and of Vermont Lodge of Perfection, of Burlington; besides belonging to Mt. Sinai Temple since November 16, 1892, and the Calumet Club of Richford. He is a Democrat, is fond of fishing, and likes to ride behind a good horse.

S. H. Danforth

Otis N. Kelton

Daniel S Danforth

Fred A Kelley

James P. Kelley

WALTER E. RANGER

State commissioner of public schools of Rhode Island, is past grand master of Masons in Vermont and past commander-in-chief of Vermont Consistory, 32°. He is not only very prominent in Masonic circles, but is also a distinguished educator. He was born in Wilton, Maine, November 22, 1855, and received his early education in Wilton Academy. In 1875 he entered Bates College, and was graduated four years later in the class of 1879, with special honors. After leaving college he became principal of the Nichols Latin School of Lewiston, Maine, remaining there until 1880. Following this he was principal of the high school in Lenox, Mass., from 1880 to 1883; principal of the Lyndon Institute in Lyndon, Vt., from 1883 to 1896, and principal of the State Normal School in Johnson, Vt., from 1896 to 1900. Then for six years he served as state superintendent of education of Vermont, and in 1905 he was called to Rhode Island to become state commissioner of education, which position he now holds. In 1904 the University of Vermont conferred on him the degree of A. M., and in 1907 Bates College the degree of LL.D. His Masonic record dates back to June 28, 1889, when he joined Crescent Lodge, F. & A. M., of Lyndonville, Vt. He next entered Haswell R. A. Chapter November 7, 1890; Palestine Commandery, K. T., April 7, 1891; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M., April 13, 1894; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection, March 20, 1895; dimitted to Haswell Lodge of Perfection in 1898; June 13, of the same year, entered J. W. Roby Council, P. of J., Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. In 1893 he received the thirty-third degree.

ARTHUR L. WEEKS

Born at Fairfax, Vt., February 1, 1853, and received his education in the district schools and St. Albans, Vt., Academy. He married in New York City, February 21, 1900, Mary Fay Brigham of Bakersfield, Vt. Noble Weeks was twice married; his first wife was Elizabeth Child Woodward, daughter of Dr. R. C. M. Woodward and Elizabeth Child of St. Albans. She died, leaving two children. Noble Weeks has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1894, and belongs to Franklin Lodge No. 4; Champlain R. A. Chapter No. 1; Columbus Council, R. & S. M., and Lafayette Commandery, K. T., of St. Albans; is also a member of Missisquoi Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. Noble Weeks resides at Richford, Vt., where he is United States Chinese inspector in charge of the port of Richford. For twenty years prior to entering the service of the Immigration Bureau he was a retail shoe dealer in St. Albans, though for seven years from 1893 to 1900 he was deputy collector of internal revenue in charge of the Vermont division. He was appointed Chinese inspector in September, 1902, and was transferred to Malone, N. Y., where he remained until transferred to Richford, Vt., July 1903.

CHAUNCEY G. AUSTIN

Resides in St. Albans, Vt., was born in Westford, that State, and lived there from the date of birth, October 21, 1845, until 1853, when the family moved to Fairfax, where he attended the district schools, completing his education at New Hampton Institute, graduating in 1867. After that he took a course of French at Marieville, Quebec, studied law with Hon. George A. Ballard, and was admitted to the Franklin County bar at the April term, 1870. He located in Highgate, Vt., and practiced his profession until July 1, 1899, when he formed a partnership with his two sons, Warren R. and Chauncey G., Jr., and located in St. Albans, where the firm practiced until June, 1909, when C. G. Austin, Jr., went West and is now attorney for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co. Noble Austin was married to Annie M. Robinson May 8, 1874. In addition to the sons named there is another, Roswell M., now a junior at Yale University. On his graduation he will take up law as his profession. Noble Austin is a Republican and has filled some minor town offices. He attends the Universalist Church. He is on the roll of the Owl Club, St. Albans, and holds membership in Lodge No. 14, in Swanton; Champlain R. A. Chapter, and Lafayette Commandery, K. T., the two latter of St. Albans. He enjoys hunting and fishing as well as club life, and takes great interest in historical and scientific study. He has always been an active and aggressive practitioner in his profession and taken great interest in the bar of Vermont, and he is now president of the Bar Association of his State.

DELBERT M. JANES

Of Richford, Vt., joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1904. He is past master of Missisquoi Lodge No. 9, and is enrolled in Lafayette Chapter also the commandery of the same name. He has been in the shoe trade and men's furnishing goods line for fifteen years, in Richford, Vt. He was born in Albany, Vt., November 23, 1868, attended the public schools in Richford, and graduated there. He was married in August, 1889 to Elizabeth Grice; their children are Delwin Warren and Donald Merrill. He is a follower of the Republican Party, attends the Baptist Church and is a lover of all outdoor sports, especially baseball and automobiling. His choice of reading is magazines and newspapers.

C. S. SCOFIELD, M. D.

Of Richford, Vt., was born in Sutton, province of Quebec, in 1860. He has always resided in Massachusetts until lately; was educated in Wesleyan Academy, Wilbraham, and Harvard Medical College, graduating in 1883. For ten years he practiced medicine in Boston, being connected with the West End Children's Hospital, physician to outpatient department, and physician to Lowell Island Hospital, Marblehead Neck, and late professor of children's diseases at the College of Physicians and Surgeons. He is a life member of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, England; has a certificate from Queen Charlotte's Lying-in Hospital, London, and has studied in the hospitals of Paris and Rome; is a post-graduate of McGill University, Montreal; a member of the American Medical Association, Harvard Alumni Association, Vermont State Medical Society, and Franklin County Medical Society, of which he was president for two years. Dr. Scofield located in Richford, Vt., in 1897, and later started the Richford Sanitarium, which is well equipped for treatment of nervous and chronic diseases. He is medical examiner for the Northwestern Mutual Life Association and the Travelers and the Provident Savings Life Association. Dr. Scofield is a member of the following fraternal organizations: Missisquoi Lodge of Masons and Eastern Star; Mount Sutton R. A. Chapter; Lafayette Commandery, K. T., of St. Albans; Mt. Sinai Temple, Mystic Shrine, Montpelier; Richford Lodge of Odd Fellows, and Daughters of Rebekah; late member Mt. Sinai Encampment of Boston, and Boston Canton, of which he was surgeon for two years on the colonel's staff, with rank of major; late member Yononto Tribe of Red Men of Boston, and for a number of years filled the office of prophet on the degree staff, which exemplified the work so acceptably in Boston and many other parts of the State; also connected with Damon Lodge, K. of P., and American Legion of Honor. In politics he is a Republican, and is a member of the Calumet Club of Richford.

Walter E. Ranger

C. G. Austin

Arthur L. Meeks

D. M. Jones.

C. S. Scofield M.D.

CLYDE CARROLL WILLEY

Is a member of Valley Lodge No. 106, F. & A. M.; Keystone R. A. Chapter No. 16; Malta Commandery No. 10, K. T., and Newport Lodge of Perfection.

EDWIN S. MEIGS

The efficient director of Mt. Sinai Temple, and to his efforts much of the successful work of the ceremonial sessions is due. He resides in Montpelier, where he is engaged as a wholesale liquor dealer. He was born at Swanton, Vt., August 12, 1874, the son of Harrison Meigs and Margaret McCluskey of Swanton, and received his education in the schools there. He afterwards removed to Montpelier, where he married Julia Allard, November 8, 1901. At the outbreak of the war with Spain he enlisted in the 1st Vermont Infantry, being made a sergeant. After the war he re-enlisted and was sent to the Philippines in the Forty-sixth United State Volunteer Infantry, serving for two years, and was mustered out as battalion sergeant-major. Noble Meigs was entered, passed, and raised in Aurora Lodge, F. & A. M., and was advanced and exalted in King Solomon R. A. Chapter. He was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Montpelier Commandery, and was admitted to the nobility of Mt. Sinai Temple April 28, 1904; is also an Elk, being a member of Lodge No. 924 of Montpelier. He is a member of the Apollo Club, and in politics is a Republican.

CARL M. ABBOTT

Of Attleboro, Mass., is a salesman connected with the C. H. Eden Jewelry Manufacturing Co. He first saw Masonic light in Orleans Lodge No. 55, A. F. & A. M., and has since become identified with Keystone R. A. Chapter No. 16, of Barton, Vt.; Attleboro Council, R. & S. M., of Attleboro; Malta Commandery No. 10, K. T., of Newport, Vt.; J. W. Roby Lodge of Perfection, 14°; a Council of P. of J. 16°; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°, and Vermont Consistory, 32°, at Burlington, Vt. Mt. Sinai Temple claims him as one of its own. He was born in Glover, Vt., March 5, 1878, the son of Martin Abbott of the same place, whose date of birth was January 26, 1838, and Frances Hill Abbott of Greensboro, Vt., born November 19, 1848, both of whom are living. He was educated in Barton, Vt., and graduated in 1897.

EDWARD D. DILLON

A member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1908, is a resident of St. Albans, Vt. He was born in Colfax County, N. Mex., January 19, 1880, and attended the public schools of his birthplace. His father, the late Richard Dillon, was a Missourian, born in the city of St. Louis, and his mother was Hattie Patterson Dillon of Jacksonville; both parents were stanch Methodists. In politics he is a Democrat. He is devoted to all outdoor sports, such as hunting, fishing, and boating, while his favorite reading consists of the general news of the day and good fiction. Since 1903 he has been a foreman for the Central Vermont Railroad in the Motive Power Department. He is equally interested in mechanical engineering. His Masonic affiliations are with Franklin Lodge, F. & A. M.; Champlain R. A. Chapter, and Lafayette Commandery, K. T.

GEORGE D. JARVIS

Of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., since 1907, is affiliated with Burlington Lodge, F. & A. M.; Burlington R. A. Chapter; Burlington Council, R. & S. M.; Burlington Commandery, K. T.; Haswell Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and is associated with the I. O. O. F., K. of P., Order of Eagles, Independent Order of Foresters, the Maccabees, and the Burlington Yacht Club. He is a Republican by political affiliation. He is of the firm of George D. Jarvis & Son, piano manufacturers, and in 1891 became interested in the maple sugar industry. He was born in Brownsville, N. Y., December 10, 1858, and graduated from the high school of Watertown, N. Y., in 1875. He was married to Miss Abbie G. Vinson of La Fargeville, N. Y., and they have three children: Dr. D. C. Jarvis, Lula R., and De Ollin N., and resides at 45 Church Street, Burlington, Vt. He enjoys autoing, hunting and fishing, while his favorite reading matter is the newspapers and the magazines.

ERASTUS HURLBURT HINDS

Of Morrisville, Vt., was born in Eden, Vt., March 22, 1862, the son of Sylvanus and Eliza Proctor Hinds, both natives of Eden. He attended the public schools of Johnson, Vt., and for some time conducted a creamery in Cambridge, Vt., carrying on the business of a butter manufacturer, which he started in 1896, but since 1907, however, he has been connected with the firm of H. P. Hood & Son in the creamery business. He was married in Johnson, Vt., May 14, 1887, to Miss Minnie B. Crocker, daughter of Chauncey and Artie Robinson Crocker of Johnson. They have two children: Juna E., born March 9, 1891, and Jennie L., born April 11, 1893. Noble Hinds entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1908, and in addition belongs to Warner Lodge of Cambridge, Vt.; Tucker R. A. Chapter, and Lamoille Commandery, K. T. He is also connected with the Red Men. Hunting and fishing are his favorite pastimes, though he likes to read, particularly historical and general literature. He attends the Congregational Church, and votes the Republican ticket. His home is on Maple Street, Morrisville.

LEVI M. MUNSON

A merchant of Morrisville, Vt., was born there October 18, 1880. His father, Harlan P. Munson, is a native of Stowe, Vt., and his mother, Lizzie A. Hardy Munson, was born in Wilton, Maine. He attended the public schools of Morrisville and entered Burlington University, from which institution he graduated in 1902, after taking the classical course. He is an enthusiastic lover of all forms of outdoor sports, particularly baseball and football, and was manager of his class team at Burlington University in 1898 and 1899. He is also fond of automobiling, as well as reading good fiction and general literature. He is not yet married; his home is on Main Street, Morrisville. In 1903 he became an active partner in the H. P. Munson department store at Morrisville, which was established in 1888, previous to which, from 1902 to 1903, he was connected with the Equitable Life Insurance Co. of New York. He belongs to Mt. Vernon Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he is secretary; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., in which he is warden, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., since 1908. He is also a member of Phi Delta Theta and Phi Beta Kappa fraternities, and a Republican.

O. R. Willey

Carl McAbbatt.

T. S. Meigs.

Edward D. Dillon.

Geo. D. Jarvis

GAILON H. STINSON

Born in Underhill, Vt., the son of Henry A. and Electa Edwards Stinson, both of whom are living. From 1904 to 1908 he was engaged as a railroad contractor. At present he is carrying on the business of an insurance broker in Chicago, his home being at 1746 Belle Plain Avenue, in that city. He was married, May 8, 1907, in Johnson, Vt., to Glenna M. Hunt, daughter of Hon. B. A. Hunt, a native of Johnson, and Nettie B. Morse Hunt, born in Waterbury, Vt. While he is a Congregationalist, his wife is a member of the Methodist Church. Noble Stinson belongs to Warner Lodge, Tucker R. A. Chapter, holds membership in a Knights Templar Commandery, and also in Mt. Sinai Temple, joining the latter body July 4, 1908. His early education was received in the Cambridge, Vt., public schools. In politics he is a Republican.

REV. C. B. ATWOOD

Of Strafford, Vt., a native of Buckfield, Maine, holds membership in Mt. Sinai Temple. During many years as a Congregational minister he has been pastor of several churches in Maine, New York, and Vermont, and has baptized about four hundred persons. His political affiliations are Republican. He was born August 26, 1848, the son of H. and Mary A. Baker Atwood, both of whom have passed away. He bears allegiance to Union Lodge of Middlebury, Vt.; Potter R. A. Chapter, and Mt. Calvary Commandery, K. T. He is also enrolled in Lincoln Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Bath, Maine. He is fond of photography and was formerly attracted by yachting and other marine sports. A passage of Holy Writ appeals to him and has been his guiding star through life: "Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth; a stranger, and not thine own lips."

HORACE L. JOHONNOTT

A pharmacist of Burlington, Vt., was born there November 24, 1846, and attended the public schools of the town. His father was Leonard Johonnott, and his mother's maiden name was Harriet F. Page. He is a charter member of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and most wise master in the Rose Croix body. He also is a member of Washington Lodge, F. & A. M.; Burlington R. A. Chapter; Haswell Lodge of Perfection; Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. From 1880 to 1900 he was in business in Winooski as a pharmacist. He was married, October 28, 1886, in Philadelphia to Anna Elizabeth Hanly, daughter of William H. and Anna E. Cantwell Hanly of that city. Their children are: Ethel H., born November 13, 1887; Marguerite, born May 26, 1892; Horace L., born June 28, 1893, and Albertine, born June 20, 1896. Noble Johonnott is an attendant of the Episcopal Church and votes the Republican ticket.

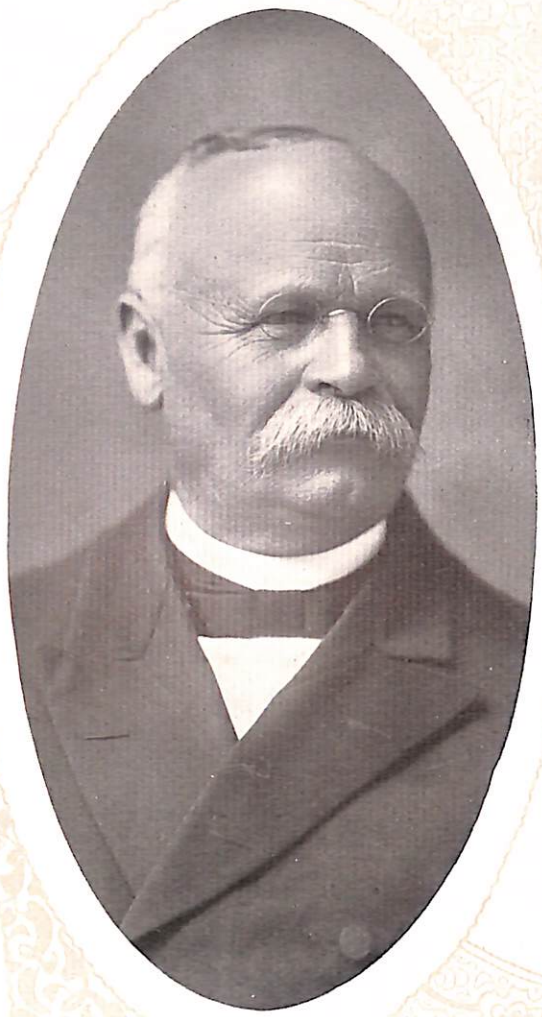
HIRAM EUGENE SIBLEY

In his own person and by his marriage, Brother Sibley is a representative of two old New England families. His early ancestors came from England in 1629. He was born in Westford, Vt., August 4, 1851, the son of Timothy and Abbie Davis Sibley. He attended the public schools of Westford and Winooski, Vt., serving as a clerk in the latter place. Subsequently he assumed charge of the sash, door, and blind factory of E. W. Chase. The business was sold to J. R. Booth, who retained Noble Sibley as superintendent. In November, 1894, he was obliged to resign on account of ill health. In the meantime he had engaged in a business of his own, that of the sale of lubricating oils and greases, which line he still continues. He was an alderman of Burlington from 1881 to 1885. He is a prominent member of the Masonic fraternity, being a past master of Burlington Lodge; enrolled in Burlington R. A. Chapter; Burlington Council, R. & S. M.; Burlington Commandery No. 2, K. T., and he has attained to the thirty-second degree Scottish Rite. He is also allied with the New England Order of Protection and affiliated with Mt. Sinai Temple. June 6, 1876, he was married to Miss Mary J. Chase, daughter of the late E. W. Chase. Mrs. Sibley died May 6, 1883, and on January 12, 1909, he was married to Miss Edna Mead, of Burlington, Vt.

JEREMIAH W. DORNSIFE

Formerly of Burlington, Vt., has a well-established reputation as a contractor and builder, at present residing at 200 Webster Street, Malden, Mass. He was born February 28, 1849, in Berry township, Schuylkill County, Penn., and attended the district schools there. He began in the coal mines at ten years of age, doing inside work, and at fourteen was appointed fire boss in the mine. His parents were Isaac and Sarah Wetzel Dornsife, both natives of Northumberland County. He has been engaged in construction work as consulting engineer ever since 1867, and during that long period has designed and constructed many notable buildings. These include the large North Terminal Railroad Station in Boston, which he superintended. In one hundred and nineteen working days he built the handsome Strong Theatre in Burlington, Vt., at a cost of $100,000. The Lancaster National Bank building, Cathedral School in Burlington, Warner Home for Friendless Children, and Episcopal Parish house in St. Albans, St. Mary's Academy in Burlington, Porter Screen Manufacturing Company's mill, warehouse, and office building, Bellows Free Academy in Fairfax, Vt., the Central Vermont Railroad Station in Windsor, Vt., Maine Central Railroad Station in Farmington, Maine, and the Central Vermont Railroad freight house in New London, Conn., and many others were erected by him. He is a veteran of the Civil War and filled various offices during his service in the army. He was a non-commissioned officer at the early age of fifteen years and four months, in Company I, 50th Pennsylvania Volunteers. He is now a member of the G. A. R. He was married, June 2, 1867, in Donaldson, Penn., to Mary Swartz, of Tremont, Penn., whose father, Jacob Swartz, was a native of Germany. Her mother's maiden name was Mary Fox. He has one child, Sarah Ellen, now Mrs. Thomas King, a resident of Malden, Mass. Noble Dornsife belongs to Rising Sun Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and R. A. Chapter of Providence, R. I.; Hugh De-Payens Commandery, K. T., of Melrose, Mass.; Lafayette Lodge of Perfection; Giles F. Yates Council, P. of J.; Mt. Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix, and Massachusetts Consistory of the Scottish Rite meeting in Boston, as well as Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter April 27, 1905; likewise a member of the Burlington Lodge of Elks. He is still active in business, and in leisure moments enjoys reading books on mechanical subjects. He and his wife are members of the Methodist Church.

G H Stinson



C. B. Atwood.

H. L. Johonnott

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J W Dornsife.

WILLIAM A. LAWRENCE

A retired business man of Bristol, Vt., was born in Monkton, Vt., October 21, 1856, the son of Orrin and Lucy Blajo Lawrence. He was married, March 22, 1876, in Hinesburg, to Lockie Partch, daughter of Nelson W. and Lucy Barker Partch. She passed on some years ago, and March 27, 1901, he was married to Mrs. Minnie P. Peet, who was killed in a railroad disaster at Vergennes, Vt., December 1, 1906. He is now a widower. He has served as a member of both houses of the Vermont Legislature, being a State senator in 1904, as well as a deputy sheriff. He was formerly engaged in the insurance business and was likewise a dealer in horses, carriages, and wagons, and is now a director of the National Bank of Middlebury. He is a member of Libanus Lodge and Gifford R. A. Chapter of Bristol; Mt. Calvary Commandery, K. T.; Haswell Lodge of Perfection, and J. W. Roby Council, P. of J., of Burlington; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and entered Mt. Sinai Temple November 15, 1894. He is also in the Odd Fellows of Bristol and a life member of lodge 916, B. P. O. E., of Burlington. In politics he is a Republican and attends the Methodist Church.

STODDARD N. ALLEN

Brother of ex-Governor Martin F. Allen of Vermont, was a native of North Ferrisburg, Vt., where he was born February 2, 1860, so that at the time he entered the Unseen Temple, November 17, 1908, he was approaching his fiftieth year. His parents were Norman J. Allen, a native of Phelps, N. Y., and Sarah Martin Allen, whose birthplace was Charlotte, Vt. His father was born March 31, 1818, and his mother, April 15 of the same year. Noble Allen received his education at the Troy Conference Academy at Poultney, Vt. He was married twice, his first wife being Jane M. Pratt, and the wedding took place in 1886. Some time after she had passed away he was united in marriage to Elizabeth N. Pratt in 1907, who survives him. He left three children: Mary Pratt, Anna Martin, and Beulah Fletcher Allen. He was identified with the Republican Party of his State while in life, and in 1896 was elected to represent the town of Ferrisburg in the Vermont Legislature. Four years later he was chosen doorkeeper in the lower house, beginning his services in that post in 1900. In both these official positions he served with much ability, reflecting great credit upon himself, his town, and his State. His Masonic connections embraced membership in Friendship Lodge of Charlotte, Vt.; Jerusalem R. A. Chapter of Vergennes; Mt. Calvary Commandery, K. T., of Middlebury, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He was sent by the temple as a delegate to the Imperial Council at Los Angeles, Cal., in 1907. His home was at North Ferrisburg. He followed in the religious faith of his parents, being, like them, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

MARTIN FLETCHER ALLEN

Of North Ferrisburg, Vt., and ex-Lieutenant Governor of the Green Mountain State, was born in that town November 28, 1842, the son of Norman Jasper and Sarah Martin Allen. He attended the schools in Poultney, Vt., and Tilton, N. H. His father and mother were of Methodist Episcopal faith. In 1882 Noble Allen was elected to represent the town of Ferrisburg in the lower house of the Vermont Legislature, and in 1890 he was chosen a State senator. Later on he was elected Lieutenant Governor of the State for the term of 1900-01. In all these official positions he served the people of his town and of the State with marked ability, retiring from each with the full respect and confidence of his fellow citizens. He has always been identified with the Republican Party and is one of its leading members in the State. Besides his membership in Mt. Sinai Temple he is connected with Friendship Lodge; Jerusalem R. A. Chapter; Vergennes Council, R. & S. M., and Mt. Calvary Commandery, K. T., being a valued member of all these bodies. In his younger days he was fond of camping and boating as a form of diversion, but now his favorite pastime is fishing, and he likes to take a few hours off now and then to ply the rod and line, being a true disciple of Izaak Walton. He is likewise on the roll of the Algonquin Club of Burlington, Vt., and the Vermont Historical Society. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

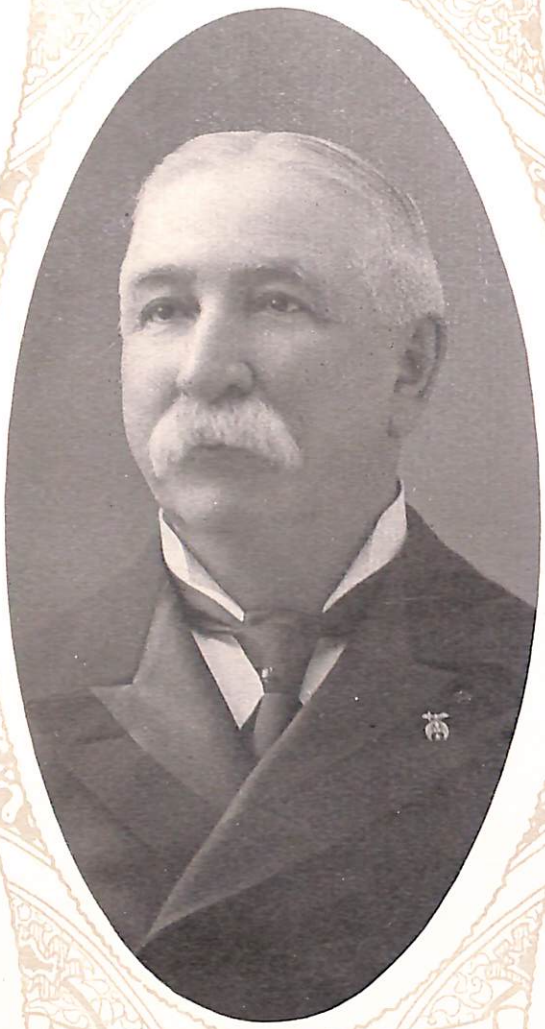
JAMES W. CADY

Of Burlington, Vt., was born in Malone, N. Y., August 28, 1878, and was educated in the public schools of Bangor, N. Y., and Millette, South Dakota, graduating in 1899. His father is Amos R. Cady, born in Brandon, N. Y., October 25, 1844. His mother, Mary A. Jameson, was born June 6, 1847. Noble Cady resided in Oklahoma for several years, being engaged in the insurance business there until 1905, when he became identified with the American Investment Co. of Oklahoma. He left that company to engage in a similar business for himself just previous to the panic of 1907. In 1909 he became special agent for the State of Vermont for the Fidelity Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Philadelphia, filling that position at present. He belongs to Siloam Lodge of Oklahoma City; Haswell Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., having dimitted, December 10, 1909, from India Temple of Oklahoma City, which he entered June 25, 1906. He is enrolled in Queen City Lodge, I. O. O. F., to which he was admitted also in June, 1906, and is a member of Indiahoma Club, Oklahoma City. He is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and likes to read Taylor's works and Longfellow's poems.

LEICESTER ELIOTT DOUGLASS

Of Richmond, Vt., was a member of the class which received the vow in Mt. Sinai Temple December 10, 1909. He was born May 22, 1882, at Essex, Vt., and was educated in the schools of Burlington, from which he graduated in 1901. His father is James H. Douglass, and his mother was born Emma Robinson. Noble Douglass is unmarried and resides in Richmond. After leaving school he entered the retail hardware business, in which he was engaged from 1901 to 1905, and in the latter year Noble Douglass became shipping clerk of the Richmond Underwear Co. In June, 1909, he was promoted to the superintendent of the Richmond Underwear Co., in which capacity he now continues. Noble Douglass was brought to light in Masonry in North Star Lodge No. 12, and was exalted in Waterbury R. A. Chapter No. 24, Waterbury, Vt. He is a member of Haswell Lodge of Perfection, of the Scottish Rite; James W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. He is also a member of McKinley Lodge, K. of P., of Richmond.

W. A. Laurence



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Stoddard N. Allen

James A. Cathey

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REV. ARTHUR C. DENNETT

A member of the New Jersey Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, residing now in Englishtown, N. J. He was born in New York City December 27, 1870, and graduated from Drew Theological Seminary in June, 1899. He is a member of Vermont Lodge, F. & A. M., of Windsor, Vt.; Windsor R. A. Chapter; St. Albans Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T.; Burlington Council, P. of J., and Mt. Sinai Temple, and is likewise connected with the Order of United Workmen of New Jersey, the Patriotic Order Sons of America, and Knights of the Golden Eagle. His father, John Dennett, also a Mason, was a native of Brunswick, Maine, and his mother, Elizabeth Clark Dennett, of New York City. He was married in Lakewood, N. Y., to Elizabeth B. Campbell, daughter of Richard Bloomfield and Harriet C. Green Campbell. They have three children: Helen C., born November 10, 1893; John Paul, born April 13, 1897, and Richard Campbell, born March 25, 1900. He is greatly interested in the science of photography and has taken a large number of views through the United States, Europe, Asia Minor, Syria, Palestine, and Egypt, while his favorite reading is in the fields of history, philosophy, and theology. At the present time he is pastor of the Sanford Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church of Englishtown, N. J., which appointment he has filled for the past five years. His early ministry was passed in Vermont, and while on his first charge, Hartland and North Hartland, he became a member of Mt. Sinai Temple. During the four years from 1901 to 1905 he was the pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church in St. Albans Bay, Vt. He is a Republican.

REV. ISAAC S. YERKS

Of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a member of the New Jersey Conference, stationed at Hightstown, N. J. He was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., September 19, 1865, the son of Otho Thomas and Annie Marlowe Yerks; his father survives. He was educated in the public schools of New York; the Wesleyan Academy in Wilbraham, Mass.; the Normal Bible College in Springfield, Mass., and the School of Theology of Boston University. At present he is pursuing a post-graduate course for the S. T. D. degree. Rev. Mr. Yerks joined the Vermont Conference in 1899, and was stationed in turn in Wilmington two years, Rochester three years, and White River Junction three years; was then transferred to the New Jersey Conference, and has been stationed at Hightstown three years. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple April 16, 1903, and also belongs to United Brethren Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Burlington Council, P. of J.; Burlington Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He is past high priest of Cascadnac Chapter, past grand chaplain of Vermont Grand Council, R. & S. M., and past grand prelate of the Grand Commandery, K. T., of Vermont, as well as being past worthy patron in the Order of the Eastern Star and noble grand of Windsor Lodge of Odd Fellows of Hightstown. He was married, April 21, 1887, to Agnes White of New York, daughter of Malcolm White, a native of Scotland, and Elizabeth Walker White, and they have one child, Viola Clarke Yerks. He likes the game of tennis, and his reading embraces classic fiction and works on history, philosophy, and theology.

HERBERT L. TOWNSEND, M. D.

Of Bridport, Vt., where he is engaged in the practice of medicine, was admitted to the nobility of Mt. Sinai Temple October 1, 1899. His Masonic membership is in Morning Sun Lodge No. 5, of Bridport; Potter R. A. Chapter No. 22, of Middlebury; Middlebury Council, R. & S. M., and Mt. Calvary Commandery, K. T. of Middlebury. Dr. Townsend was born August 14, 1860, at Plainfield, Vt., the son of Herman Franklin Townsend and Laura Lamb Lawrence, both natives of Plainfield. Graduating from Burlington Medical College in 1881, Dr. Townsend entered the School of Medicine of the University of Vermont, at Burlington, and upon receiving his diploma began the practice of his chosen profession at Bridport. He married at Leicester, Vt., September 2, 1882, Mary Elizabeth Sumner of Middlebury, daughter of Sidney Hale Sumner of New Albany, Ind., and Ellen Prudence Norton of Addison, and they have one son, Herman Franklin Townsend, born in Bridport, February 14, 1891. Dr. Townsend is a member of the Addison County Medical Society and of the Vermont State Medical Society. He attends, whenever possible, the Methodist Episcopal Church, and his favorite pastime is the reading of good literature.

WILLIAM WALKER

Of Evarts, Vt., is manager of the Ottaquechee Woolen Co., and has served as a representative in the Vermont Legislature as a Republican two years. He was born March 27, 1848, in Batley, England, the son of John and Mary Senior Walker, born respectively in 1822 and 1826, his father is living at a ripe old age. Noble Walker was married, July 20, 1884, to Margaret Corry, daughter of Joseph Corry, and three children have blessed the union: William, John, and Robert S. Walker. He belongs to Passaic Lodge of New Jersey, Cascadnac R. A. Chapter, Windsor Comandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M .S.

THOMAS C. CHENEY

Of Morrisville, Vt., was born at Morristown, Vt., October 10, 1868, and is by profession a lawyer. His parents, both of whom are living, are William S. and Mary E. Gates Cheney. He was educated at the People's Academy, graduating in 1886, and received the degree of A. B. from the University of Vermont in 1891. He was chosen second assistant clerk of the Vermont House of Representatives in 1894, first assistant clerk in 1896, and was clerk from 1898 to 1906. In the latter year he was elected a member of the House from Morristown and was unanimously elected speaker of the same. He was re-elected as member and speaker in 1908. He was admitted to the bar in 1895, and was state's attorney of Lamoille County from 1900 to 1902. On January 15, 1896, he was married at Middletown, Conn., to May L. Terrill of Middletown, Conn. He belongs to Mt. Vernon Lodge, of which he was senior deacon; Tucker R. A. Chapter, in which he is C. of H.; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also enrolled in the Knights of Pythias, Vermont Alpha of Phi Delta Theta, and the Pastime Club of Morrisville. He is a director and vice-president of the Vermont Mutual Fire Insurance Co. His religious faith is Congregational. He is a Republican.

Arthur C. Dennett

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JEROME F. HALE

A resident of Wells River, Vt., and has been in the hotel business for the past thirty years. His business has not only given him a wide acquaintance, but as treasurer of the New England Fat Men's Club he is well known throughout the country. He was born in Corinth, Vt., December 11, 1855, the son of Henry and Betsey Wilson Hale. The first thirteen years of his life were passed on a farm, after which he attended Phillips School in Boston for two years, and for nine years he owned and conducted a news and cigar stand. August 17, 1882, he was married to Lillian Davenport, only daughter of Edwin R. and Jane S. Davenport of South Newbury, Vt.; three children were born to them; Adine D., December 25, 1883; Cedric D., August 22, 1889, and Kathleen, November 9, 1893. Noble Hale is a member of Pulaski Lodge of Wells River; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter of Bradford, Vt.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., of St. Johnsbury, Vt., and Mt. Sinai Temple Mystic Shrine of Montpelier, Vt.; is also an Odd Fellow, being past grand of Richford Lodge, past chief patriarch of Trotter Encampment, Bradford, as well as a member of the Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment of Vermont. As a hotel man his experience of nearly thirty years has made him a merited reputation that places him near the head of entertainers of the traveling public. Hales Tavern at Wells River, Vt., over which he has presided for the past fifteen years, is noted as being one of the best in every respect in suburban New England. He attends the Congregational Church, and his favorite sport is fishing, at which he is an adept.

WILLARD J. GOSS

Of Wells River, Vt., has been a passenger conductor on the C. & P. division of the Boston & Maine Railroad since October 12, 1896. He was born in Lyndonville, Vt., April 26, 1870, and graduated from the Lyndon Institute in June, 1886, after taking a commercial course. His father, Samuel E. Goss, is living. His mother was Jane Annie Fowler. He was married, September 7, 1903, to Beulah Butler of Woodsville, N. H., who is a daughter of George C. Butler, a native of Haverhill, N. H., and Harriet M. Clark Butler, a native of Searsport, Maine. Mr. and Mrs. Goss have one child, Harriet Jane, and they both belong to the Congregational Church. Noble Goss is a member of Crescent Lodge No. 66, of Lyndonville, Vt.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter No. 20, and Orleans Council No. 19, R. & S. M., both of Newport, Vt.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., of St. Johnsbury, and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. January 27, 1897. He is fond of fishing, and his favorite form of reading is history.

GEORGE ELLIOTT RANDALL

Of Wells River, Vt., was for thirty-eight years a railroad telegrapher, and was connected during that long period with the Vermont Central, the Denver & Rio Grande, and was chief train dispatcher of the Mexican National, the B. C. & M., the B. & L., and the Boston & Maine railroads. During this protracted term of service it is to his credit that he never gave an order that would have caused loss of life or property. For the past ten years he has been conducting a farm. He was born in South Charleston, N. H., June 14, 1847, the son of George C. and Aurora M. Butters Randall. He was married, December 16, 1880, to Abbie S. Pierce of East Montpelier. They have two children: Mary B. and Ruth A., born December 12, 1882, and June 28, 1884, respectively. He is past master of Pulaski Lodge No. 58, F. & A. M., Wells River, Vt., past patron Corinthian Chapter No. 42, O. E. S., Wells River; member of King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T.; past potentate Mt. Sinai Temple, Montpelier; member of Lancaster Lodge of Perfection, Lancaster, N. H.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, Littleton, N. H.; New Hampshire Consistory, Nashua, N. H., and Mt. Gardner Grange, Woodsville, N. H., and was a representative to the Imperial Council at Dallas, Texas, in 1898. Noble Randall was the nucleus which made many candidates from Northern and Central New Hampshire when Mt. Sinai had joint jurisdiction, as he was then on the Boston & Maine Railroad. In politics he is a Democrat. He was educated in Northfield and St. Albans academies. Fishing is his favorite pastime.

DEXTER S. FULTON

Of Newbury, Vt., was born there June 15, 1842, and educated in Newbury Seminary and Barre Academy. His parents were John and Sophia Ordway C. Fulton. He was married in Newbury, September, 1875, to Miss Eva C. Gilman, daughter of Lewis and Lucia Shipman Gilman, the former of Corinth, Vt., and the latter a native of Hardwick, Vt. Mr. and Mrs. Fulton have one child, Harley D. Fulton, born July 10, 1883. Noble Fulton has been both farmer and banker. In 1879 he went to Keokuk, Iowa, and was for some time in the banking business with Colonel Oscar C. Hale, and since that date has followed the same pursuit. From 1890 up to the present time he has been a director and vice-president of the Wells River Savings Bank, and was elected its president in 1910. He was chosen a school director in 1896. He belongs to Pulaski Lodge; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T.; Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and is a member of the Fat Men's Club of Newbury. In politics he is a Republican. He is fond of travel in Europe, particularly in England and Scotland, and his favorite reading is history. He is a Congregationalist.

HENRY H. LEE, M. D.

Of Wells River, Vt., has been a practicing physician in Wells River since 1881, saving only the time spent in the war with Spain and during the Philippine insurrection, and is now a member of the United States Examining Board of Surgeons for Pensions. Dr. Lee was born in Richmond, in the province of Quebec, November 3, 1857, the son of Edward Jonas Lee and Elizabeth Parnelle. He was educated in Danville Academy, in the province of Quebec, leaving there in 1879, when he came into Vermont and entered the University of Vermont College of Medicine and became an American citizen. His American home was Wells River, where, December 20, 1883, Dr. Lee married Kate D. Deming, daughter of F. and Catherine Bingham Deming, by whom he has three children: Nellie D., Franklin E., and Mary E. Dr. Lee was surgeon major of the First Vermont Volunteer Infantry, which was called into service during the war with Spain in 1898. From 1899 to 1901 he was captain and surgeon of Volunteers in the Philippines, seeing active service during that long insurrection, but upon his retirement from the Volunteer Army, Dr. Lee returned to Wells River and resumed his practice. He is a member of Pulaski Lodge No. 58, F. & A. M., of Wells River; of Mt. Lebanon Chapter of Bradford, and of Palestine Commandery, K. T., of St. Johnsbury, Vt. He is among the most popular members of Mt. Sinai Temple and enjoys its ceremonial sessions as much as he does his favorite sport, which is angling.

Thomas F. Hale.

Geo. E. Randall

W. J. Goss.

Dexter S. Fulton

Henry H. Lee

JOHN M. TAYLOR

A druggist of Bradford, Vt., in which business he has been engaged since 1884, having been a member of the firm of Taylor & Wadleigh at Lyndonville, Vt., from 1889 to 1892. He is treasurer of the Vermont State Pharmaceutical Association; a director of the Bradford National Bank, and served as a representative in the Vermont Legislature in 1906-07. He was born in East Bolton, province of Quebec, Canada, July 11, 1863, and attended the public schools of his own town and Knowlton Academy of Knowlton, province of Quebec. His father was John W. Taylor, a native of East Bolton, province of Quebec, and his mother's maiden name was Lavina A. Sargent of the same town. He was married in Newport, Vt., September 21, 1895, to Hattie E. Folsom, daughter of T. H. and Elizabeth Folsom of Newport, and they have one child, Wesley H. Taylor, born September 23, 1902. Noble Taylor is particularly fond of travel, and his reading is chiefly devoted to scientific works. He is a member of Charity Lodge, F. & A. M.; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter; Bradford Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in 1907. He was master of Charity Lodge and is recorder of his council. His home is in Bradford, Vt.

ALTON M. HUBBARD

Born in Rochester, Vt., June 25, 1859, his home is now in Randolph, Vt., where he conducts a furniture store, having established himself in business in 1905, though he has been engaged in that line since 1885. His father was Mason O. Hubbard of Rochester, and his mother, Angelina Cady Hubbard, of Lowell, Mass. He was married, June 6, 1888, to Hattie E. Mann, daughter of Marshall Mann of Randolph and Sarah Ainsworth Mann, who was from Northfield, Vt. He is a Methodist in his religious belief and is affiliated with the Republican Party. Noble Hubbard belongs to Phoenix Lodge, Whitney R. A. Chapter, Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered in 1902. He is also enrolled in Randolph Lodge of Odd Fellows, having been secretary five or six years, and at present is treasurer. The official positions occupied by him have been village trustee and village treasurer. He is a great reader of the newspapers. He and his wife have one adopted child, a daughter, Esther Hubbard, born November 16, 1889.

ARTHUR WASHBURN PETERS

Of Bradford, Vt., has been a successful farmer in that section of the State the past forty-two years, conducting a fine property of his own. He has also had considerable experience in the handling of horses, being an expert in that line. In politics he is a Democrat, and from 1887 up to the present has served his town in a very acceptable manner in the important position of selectmen, thirteen years in the last twenty-one which testifies to the high estimation in which he is held by his fellow citizens. He was born in Bradford July 31, 1851, and attended the public schools of that town. He was the son of Joseph Howard and Clara Culver Washburn Peters. He was married in 1871 to Velma Louise Jenkins, daughter of Arad and Harriet M. Evans Jenkins of Bradford; they have had four children: Eva May, born May 1, 1873; Frank A., August 18, 1875; Andrew H., June 18, 1883, and Joseph Edward, March 2, 1890. He is an enthusiastic fox hunter and frequently indulges in that exciting sport. He belongs to Charity Lodge, F. & A. M.; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter; Bradford Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, joining the latter in 1893. He is also an Odd Fellow, has filled all the offices in his lodge, and is a delegate to the Grand Lodge of Vermont. He attends the Congregational Church and is a lover of general literature in his reading.

CHARLES W. HAYWARD

A well-known hotel keeper of Randolph, Vt., where he has been engaged in business many years. He is a native of the Green Mountain State. His father was Samuel A. Hayward, and his mother, May Smith Hayward, of Chelsea, Vt. He went to the public schools of Brookfield, Vt., graduating in 1865. For twenty-nine years he conducted a barbering business, from 1873 to 1902, entering the hotel line in the latter year. His wife was Florence B. Wires, daughter of Henry N. and Hattie P. Wires of Randolph, who were married October 2, 1872, and they have four children: Bertha Burridge, born in 1874; Harry, born in 1877; Florence Hattie, born in 1882, and Fred Charles, born in 1885. Noble Hayward is a member of Phoenix Lodge, of which he has been steward and marshal; Whitney R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a great newspaper reader, and is fond of the sports of hunting and fishing.

GEORGE MOODY MARSHALL

In the banking business at Bradford, Vt., was born in Colebrook, N. H., July 11, 1878, the son of Freeman G. and May E. Dustin Marshall, of Colebrook, both of whom are living. He was educated at the Colebrook Academy and at a business college in Portland, finishing his course at the latter institution in 1895. He is a Republican. His course of reading is devoted chiefly to historical works. He belongs to Charity Lodge, G. & A. M., of which he has been master for two years; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter, where he is principal sojourner; Bradford Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He became a Shriner in 1907, and is also a member of Silver Brook Lodge, K. of P., of Groveton, N. H. He has been cashier of the Bradford National Bank since 1904.

GUSTIN ELDRIDGE SMITH

A lumber dealer of Morrisville, Vt., where he is engaged largely in shipping lumber to Western houses. He was born in Cambridge, Vt., September 22, 1865, and attended the public schools of St. Johnsbury, Vt., graduating from the high school there in 1886. Later he took a special course in a business school in Newark, N. J. His parents were Daniel C. and Cordelia Ladd Smith, of Eden, Vt.; his mother is living. He was married in Hyde Park, Vt., December 25, 1898, to Nettie A. Crocker, daughter of James C. and Augusta Crocker of Hyde Park. They have two children: Geraldine, born July 15, 1891, and Sybil Merrill, born April 1, 1901. He is a member of Mt. Vernon Lodge; Tucker R. A. Chapter, Lamoille Commandery, K. T., and since 1908 of Mt. Sinai Temple. He votes the Republican ticket and is particularly fond of traveling, while in reading he chooses the best in general literature.

John M. Taylor

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FRANK HENRY GODFREY, M. D.

Of Chelsea, Vt., was born there January 31, 1860. He attended the public schools of his native town and graduated from Chelsea Academy in 1877, while he studied medicine with Dr. J. M. Templeton of Montpelier, Vt., and received his diploma from the Eclectic Medical College of New York in 1881. He was married in Brookfield, Vt., in 1883, to Sarion Wilson of Montpelier, Vt. He is a member of George Washington Lodge, F. & A. M.; Whitney R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is a practicing physician, a member of the Vermont State Eclectic Medical Society, and President of the Vermont State Board of Medical Registration, as well as medical examiner for the Phœnix, Provident Savings, and New York Life Insurance Companies. He is a Republican, and his reading is largely devoted to medical and scientific works. His favorite forms of recreation are hunting, fishing, and automobiling.

HIRAM N. MATTISON

A banker of Chelsea, Vt., born September 1, 1871. He was educated in the public schools of North Bennington, Vt., and at Norwich University, where he took a special course in chemistry, graduating from the latter institution in 1893. He is a diligent reader of history and the best to be had in fiction, while autoing is his favorite form of recreation. He is a Republican, and as such represented Chelsea in the legislature from 1902 to 1904, while he has also been the treasurer of Orange County since 1893. He was clerk of the Northfield, Vt., National Bank for three years, from 1893 to 1896, and since the latter year has been cashier and a director of the National bank of Orange County. For five years he has been treasurer of George Washington Lodge, F. &. A. M., of Chelsea. He also belongs to Whitney R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., having been admitted to the latter body in 1908. He is a member of the Tyrian Club of Chelsea. He was married, October 6, 1909, to Miss Lena Ardelle, daughter of the late Hon. E. P. George of West Fairlee, Vt.

COLONEL HARRY ELWOOD PARKER

Of Bradford, Vt., in addition to being a leading figure in Masonic circles, is one of the most prominent Odd Fellows in Vermont, as well as a leading citizen of the Green Mountain State. He was born in Lyman, N. H., June 11, 1853, and attended the schools of that town and Lisbon Academy. Having a fine musical gift he early devoted himself to the study of music for some years, and when sixteen years old was the leader of a military band in Marion, Va. Learning the printing trade, he established in New Hampshire the "Lisbon Globe," a small paper, and in 1881 removed to Bradford, Vt., where he consolidated the rival papers of the place and established the "United Opinion," which under his able management has become influential through a large circulation. In connection with it, he also conducts a prosperous job printing business. He was chosen engrossing clerk in the New Hampshire Legislature in 1878 and was re-elected in the following year. President Harrison commissioned him postmaster of Bradford in 1890 for a term of four years. He was president of the Vermont Editors' and Publishers' Association in 1893 and served as an aide-de-camp with the rank of colonel on the staff of Governor Fuller during the same years. In 1894 he was the Orange County member of the Republican State Committee and vice-president for the National Republican League. He belongs to Charity Lodge; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter; Bradford Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., being admitted to the latter in 1893. He is also a member of the Iona Chapter, Eastern Star, of which he has been worthy patron; of Naomi Rebekah Lodge of Bradford and deputy supreme regent of the Royal Arcanum. He was initiated into Moosehillock Lodge, I. O. O. F., at Woodsville, N. H., November 22, 1879, and was charter member of Concordia Lodge, instituted at Lisbon, N. H., in October, 1880, of which he was the first secretary, and the following year, noble grand. He is now a member of Champion Lodge of Bradford. His record in Odd Fellowship includes chief patriarch of Trotter Encampment, lieutenant colonel of the Patriarchs Militant, representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge for two years, secretary of the Grand Secretaries' and Grand Scribes' Association of the United States, trustee of the Vermont Odd Fellows' Home, and grand secretary of Vermont for twenty years. He was married at Nashua, N. H., September 24, 1873, to Annie M. Weston and they have four children. Colonel Parker is an able and popular editor and a public-spirited citizen, strongly devoted to all that makes for the welfare and advancement of the interests of his town. He is a member of the Montpelier Country Club, and is president of the Parker & Young Co., of Lisbon, N. H., the company being the largest one in the world for the manufacture of piano sounding-boards; also president of the Capital City Press, Montpelier, Vt., one of the most up-to-date printing plants in New England.

ALBERT W. SILSBY

Of Newbury, Vt., is a native of Westmore, that State, where he was born October 11, 1859. Noble Silsby attended the public schools of West Burke, Vt. He was married, October 9, 1888, in Newbury, to Emma S. Watkins, daughter of Dr. E. V. and Emily Tenney Watkins of that town, and one child has been born to them, Emily Tenney Silsby, whose birth was on March 28, 1890. From 1889 to 1893 he was with the Boston & Maine Railroad Company at Northampton, Mass. Since 1893 he has been in the telegraph, telephone, and electric light pole business. He belongs to Pulaski Lodge, Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter, Palestine Commandery, K. T., and was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in 1908. He was elected town clerk of Newbury in 1896, a State representative in 1904, and justice of the peace in 1902. His chief diversions are hunting and fishing.

FRED CUTLER RUSSELL, M. D.

Of Newbury, Vt., has been engaged in the general practice of medicine since January, 1895, and has built up an extensive practice in his profession. He was born in Lovell, Maine, February 23, 1866, and attended the public schools there, as well as Bridgton Academy, graduating from the Academy in 1885. He then entered Bowdoin College, and was graduated from there in 1889. He was married in Lovell, December 16, 1891, to Carrie A. Farrington. They have two children: John F., born July 21, 1899, and Fred Cutler, Jr., born November 9, 1901. Dr. Russell attends the Congregational Church, is fond of fishing, and devotes most of his reading to scientific and medical works. He is a member of Pulaski Lodge of Wells River, Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter, Palestine Commandery, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered in 1908. He is also enrolled in Kezar Valley Lodge of Odd Fellows of Lovell, Maine, of which he is past grand, and the Knights of Pythias. From 1891 to 1893 he was superintendent of schools of Rockland, Maine, while in politics he is a Republican.

T. W. Godfrey M.D.

Harry E. Parker

A. M. Mattison

A. V. Silsby

Fred C. Russell

LEVI G. ERSKINE

Of Randolph, Vt., has been engaged in the blacksmith business for himself for the long period of forty years, establishing it in 1865, and conducting it in a successful manner through all the intervening years. He was born in Roxbury, Vt., February 22, 1848, and attended the public schools of his native town. His parents are both living at a good old age. They are George W. and Waterman Erskine. He was married in Northfield, Vt., in 1872, to Elizabeth Jenness, daughter of William Jenness of Brookfield, Vt., and Abigail Ballou Jenness, of Holyoke, Mass. Four children have been born to them. They are Alice Olive, born in August, 1876; Willie M., born in May, 1879, died in infancy; Carrie Orinda, 1881, and Sedrie Levi, in October, 1892. Noble Erskine belongs to Phoenix Lodge; Whitney R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, joining the temple in 1908. He is a member of Randolph Lodge of Odd Fellows, having filled all its offices, and has also been senior deacon of his blue lodge. He is a Democrat, likes general literature, with historical works as his favorite.

STANLEY C. WILSON

A number of the law firm of Darling & Wilson, and resides at Chelsea, Vt. He was born in Orange, Vt., September 10, 1879, the son of William W. Wilson and Lydia Browning Wilson, both of whom are living. He was educated at Goddard Seminary, Barre, Vt., and at Tufts College, Medford, Mass., graduating from the latter in 1901, when he began the study of law. He was reporter of the Vermont Senate during the sessions of 1902 and 1904, and at the present time is state's attorney for Orange County. Noble Wilson married, April 22, 1909, Grace Bacon, daughter of Erdix N. Bacon and Mary Goodwin Bacon of Chelsea. He is a Republican in politics, while his religious preference is Universalist. George Washington Lodge No. 51, F. & A. M., brought Noble Wilson to light in Masonry, and he was later exalted in Whitney R. A. Chapter, while he was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Mt. Zion Commandery. He is also a member of Montpelier Camp, Modern Woodmen of America, the Tyrian Club, Chelsea, and the Vermont Fish and Game League.

CHARLES EMERSON ABBOTT

Of Randolph, Vt., is a noble of Mt. Sinai Temple, and his Masonic affiliations are: Phœnix Lodge; Whitney R. A. Chapter; Haswell Council, R. & S. M., and Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., the latter of Montpelier. He is a past master, past high priest, past thrice illustrious master, and has filled the office of senior warden in the commandery. He was born in Braintree, Vt., October 16, 1832, the son of Ebenezer and Sally Flint Abbott. He attended the public schools of his native town, and later, in the town of Randolph, Vt., was a school director for several years. He was water commissioner also. He was a manufacturer of doors, sashes, and blinds from 1866 to 1897 and has likewise been a carpenter and contractor. He was married, March 8, 1858, to Miss Hannah J. Nichols of Roxbury, and later, March 24, 1870, to Miss Jennie E. Sanborn of Boston, Mass. There were eight children by these marriages, two by the first wife. They were: Regnold Charles, Carrie Jane, Inez Hannah, Edith Abigail, Ernest Albert, Clayton W., Layton E., and Robert H. Noble Abbott attends the Congregational Church, and in politics is a Republican. He holds membership in the Business Men's club of Randolph, is fond of hunting and fishing, and his favorite authors are those of history, travel, and fiction.

CHARLES OLCOTT HOLTON

Born in Charleston, Vt., January 9, 1855, and his early educational advantages were limited to the common schools there. After laboring on his father's farm until nineteen years of age he became interested in the art of photography and practiced it in Sherbrooke, province of Quebec, and North Troy, Vt. In 1876 he was employed in reproducing and enlarging pictures at the Centennial Exposition in the city of Philadelphia. He then returned to Charleston and engaged in the drug business with his brother, Joseph B. Holton. In 1881 he removed to Canaan, Vt., continuing in the drug line in that town until 1893. He is a Republican, and in the years of 1892 and 1893 represented Canaan in the Vermont Legislature, was also town clerk from 1886 to 1893, and held various other town offices. His parents were John Holton of Lyndon, Vt., and Maria Morse Holton of Salem (Derby), Vt. He was married in Charleston, Vt., December 31, 1879, to Ida M. Hamilton, daughter of George W. Hamilton of Charleston, Vt., and Mary R. Green of Derby, Vt. They have one son, Neil Hamilton Holton, born August 10, 1892. Noble Holton is a member of Pulaski Lodge No. 58, Wells Rvier, Vt.; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter, Bradford, Vt.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., St. Johnsbury, Vt., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is connected with Frontier Lodge No. 36, K. of P., West Stewartstown, N. H., has been through the chairs and is a member of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, and is likewise in Court Hale, Independent Order of Foresters, Wells River, Vt. His favorite reading consists of scientific and political works, and he is fond of hunting, fishing, and athletic sports. For the past nine years he has conducted a drug and jewelry business in Newbury, Vt., and has been postmaster at that place since April, 1907.

WILLIAM C. EMERSON

Of Randolph, Vt., is a native of the Green Mountain State and was born November 2, 1884, attending the public schools of Compton Village, N. H. He is connected with the E. F. Emerson Co., sash, door, and blind manufacturers. He was married, November 20, 1895, to Laura E. Chase, daughter of Ambrose and Hannah Forse Coldon of Compton Village, the wedding taking place in Laconia, N. H. His father, Erastus Fairbanks Emerson, is living. His mother was Mary Ellen Goodhue. He belongs to Phoenix Lodge, of which he has been junior deacon three years; Haswell Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of Randolph Lodge of Odd Fellows, being a past grand. He is a Republican, and since 1905 chairman of the village trustees. Hunting, fishing, and baseball are the sports he most enjoys, and he likes to read on political and commercial subjects.

A. T. CRANDALL

Of Richmond, Vt., born at North Duxbury, Vt., July 27, 1873, and was graduated from the high school at Jonesville. He became a bookkeeper and salesman in 1897, with the Richmond Hardware Co. Since 1900 he has been connected with the Vermont Condensed Milk Co. His father, A. C. Crandall, and mother, Melissa Olmstead, are both living. He was married at Jonesville, August 28, 1894. He belongs to North Star lodge; Waterbury R. A. Chapter; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a member of the Congregational Church. He favors fishing, hunting, and automobiling, while his favorite reading is engineering literature.

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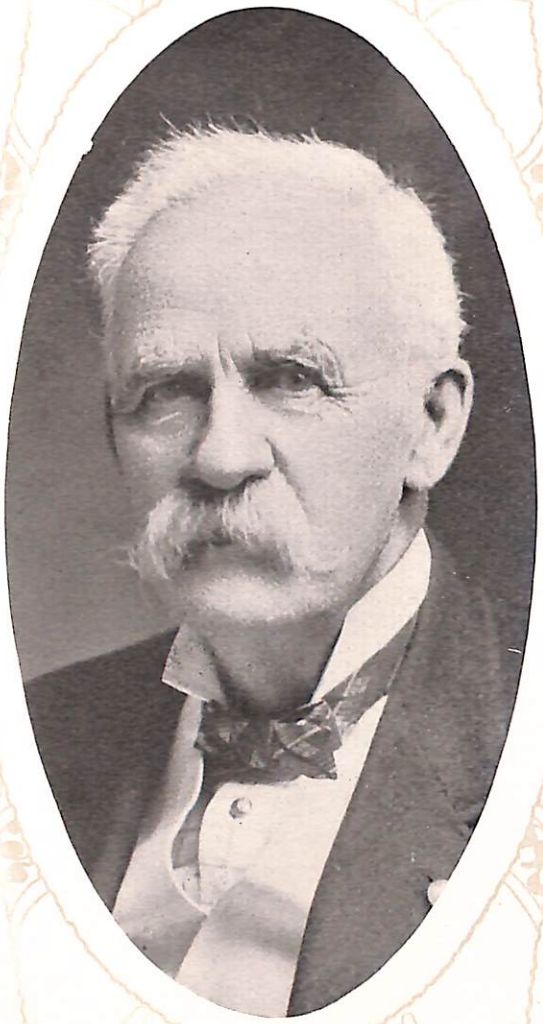

Edward E. Abbott

Stanley C. Allison.

Chas O. Hatton

W. C. Emerson

ALBERT JAMES HUSE

Of Randolph, Vt., conducted a grocery and feed store for several years, dating from 1888. He was born in Stowe, Vt., June 8, 1856, and attended the public schools as well as the Spaulding school of Barre, Vt. His father, Joseph E. Huse, was a native of Orange, Vt.; his mother, Helen E. Jackson Huse, was born in Broome, province of Quebec, and is still living. Noble Huse is a member of Phœnix Lodge, Whitney R. A. Chapter, and Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T. In the former he has been master. He is past high priest and treasurer of the chapter, and past district deputy grand master of the Grand Lodge. He is a member of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., entering the latter in 1908. He was married in Morristown, Vt., December 25, 1878, to Miss Alice L. Grout, the daughter of Horace and Malinda Bullock Grout of Morrisville, Vt. He has one child, Roy Albert Huse, born May 11, 1885. Mr. Huse belongs to the Congregational Church and is a Republican. He reads largely in general literature, particularly select fiction, while fishing is his favorite amusement.

FRED HUBBARD MORRILL

A merchant of Pittsfield, Vt., was born in that town, March 16, 1858, and attended the public schools there. His parents were Ira Morrill, a native of Chittendon, Vt., and Angeline Chapman Morrill, who was born in Plainfield, N. H. Noble Morrill was married, November 19, 1890, to Mary E., daughter of Guilford and Susan Parmenter of Pittsfield, and they have one child, Cleone B., born March 11, 1892. He was a selectman of the town from 1894 to 1900, and in the latter year was elected a Republican representative to the Vermont Legislature, while he has been town clerk and treasurer since 1903. He is a member of Rural Lodge of Rochester; Davenport R. A. Chapter, and Killington Commandery, K. T., of Rutland, and joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1894. He has likewise been treasurer of the branch of the Foresters of America in his town since its organization two years ago, and belongs to the local Grange.

JOHN GRUBER

Became a Noble of Mt. Sinai Temple April 22, 1898. He resides at 1400 Boulevard, New Haven, Conn., but still retains much of his Masonic membership in Vermont. He was born at Warehouse Point, Conn., August 22, 1850, of German parentage. His father and mother are still living, at the ages of eighty-six and eighty years, respectively. He married at Beacon Falls, Conn., December 25, 1873, Mary A. Rice, daughter of Anson B. and Hannah Dayton Rice of Litchfield County, Conn. They have one daughter. Noble Gruber's Masonic membership is as follows: April 23, 1872, Shepherd Lodge No. 78, A. F. & A. M., Naugatuck, Conn.; April 8, 1876, Allerton R. A. Chapter No. 39, Naugatuck, Conn.; April 28, 1899, Windsor Council No. 8, R. & S. M., Windsor, Vt.; February 10, 1898, Vermont Commandery No. 4, Windsor, Vt.; May 9, 1899, Windsor Lodge of Perfection, Windsor, Vt.; June 12, 1899, Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, Burlington, Vt. Noble Gruber is a member of Mystic Chapter of the Eastern Star, New Haven, Conn., and of Centennial Lodge of Odd Fellows, Naugatuck, Conn.; also of the Knights Templar Club of New Haven. Over thirty years of his life have been spent as a mill superintendent, being seven years superintendent of the Dundee Woolen Co., Passaic, N. J.; seven and a half years in a similar capacity with the Woodvale Woolen Mills, Johnstown, Pa.; three years with Schaghticoke Woolen Mills, Schaghticoke, N. Y.; and thirteen years superintendent of the Hartford Woolen Mills, Hartford, Vt. He was superintendent of the Woodvale Woolen Mills at Johnstown, Pa., at the time of the distaster in 1889, and was caught in the mill by the flood, from which he was rescued twenty-two hours later.

FRANK ALEX PHILLIPS

Of Randolph, Vt., was born in Brandon, Vt., November 10, 1849, the son of Calvin B. and Louisa J. McCollom Phillips. He is a past master of Phoenix Lodge No. 28; past high priest of Whitney R. A. Chapter No. 6; past thrice illustrious master of Haswell Council No. 5, R. & S. M.; a member of Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple, joining the Shrine in 1905. He has one child, Harry C. Phillips, of Mohonk Lake, N. Y.

J. S. EASTMAN

Born in Union Village, Thetford, Vt., the son of James and Sylvia Barton Eastman. He attended the public schools of St. Johnsbury and was married in Bradford, Vt., March 31, 1861, to Estelle I. Jenkins, daughter of Leonard P. and Sarah Goodwin Jenkins of Fairlee, Vt. His home is on River Street, Pompanoosuc, Vt. Their children are: Walter S., born October 2, 1862; Linwood E., born October 17, 1864; Sarah W., born March 25, 1869; Sylvia A., born August 6, 1870, and Estelle I., born July 20, 1872. He is a member of the Methodist Church, and is a great reader of that Book of all books, the Bible. He is foreman of the track department of the railroad in his town, and votes the Democratic ticket. In 1897 he entered Mt. Sinai Temple, and also belong to Jackson Lodge, F. & A. M.; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter; Bradford Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, and Burlington Council, P. of J. He is a member, too, of Crystal Lake Lodge of Odd Fellows, likewise of Ridgely Encampment, and is grand chaplain of the Grand Lodge of I. B. of M. W. E. of St. Louis, Mo.

STEPHEN W. PAIGE, M. D.

A practicing physician and surgeon of St. Albans, Vt., was born in Barnard, Vt., August 18, 1852. His father was Stephen P. W. Paige of St. Johnsbury, Vt., and his mother, Susan Clifford Paige of Barnard. Dr. Paige was educated in St. Johnsbury Academy and the University of Vermont, graduating from the latter institution in 1884. He has been a director of the St. Albans Hospital for the past ten years and is on its regular staff; has been attending physician of the Warren Home for Children twenty-five years, and is president of the Cash Store Co., which was established thirteen years ago. He is a member of the Auto Club of St. Albans and of the Lake Mansfield Tennis Club. In his Masonic affiliations Noble Paige belongs to Passumpsic Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection: Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered in 1893. He is also an Elk. He was married, June 9, 1902, to Mabel E. Whitten, daughter of John P. and Evelyn Pierce Whitten of Jericho, Vt. They have two children: Susan Evelyn, born May 30, 1903, and Roland Wilson, born March 3, 1906. Both Dr. Paige and his wife are members of the Congregational Church. His reading consists largely of medical and scientific works, while hunting and fishing are his favorite sports. He is a Republican.

A. J. Hurst

John Gruber

F. H. Morrill

Frank A. Phillips

J. S. Eastman

ARTHUR A. SAWYER

Manager of Swift & Co., the packers, at White River Junction, where he resides. He was born in Peterboro, N. H., on September 16, 1870, and attended the public schools of that town, graduating in 1888. His father, who is living, is Amos N. Sawyer, and his mother's maiden name was Lydia Buss. Both parents were born in America. Noble Sawyer is married, his wife was Edith M. Roberts, of White River, Vt. He is a member of United Brethren Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in 1903. He is also of Peterboro Lodge of Odd Fellows; the Eastern Star of White River, and Faculty Lodge of Rebekahs in the same town. In political matters he acts with the Republican Party.

CARL W. CAMERON

Resides in White River Junction, Vt., where he holds the position of assistant postmaster, to which he was appointed in 1908. His first service in the post office department was May 22, 1902. Before that he was a drug clerk in White River, Vt., and Pittsfield, Mass., and belongs to the Social Club, in White River. He was born at Hartford, Vt., May 23, 1879, the son of Frank W. and Lucinda Watson Cameron. He passed through the high school of White River. His wife was Caroline L. Wallace of White River, daughter of Everett J. and Charlotte L. Wallace; their marriage took place August 11, 1909. He is affiliated with United Brethren Lodge; Cascadnac Chapter; Windsor Council, and Vermont Commandery. His temple is Mt. Sinai. He is Independent in politics and worships in the Congregational Church.

DAVID A. ELLIOTT

Of White River Junction, Vt., was born in Roxham, Quebec, August 30, 1864, and attended the public schools of that place. His parents were Thomas Elliott, and Nancy Adams Elliott, who is still living. He has been in the hardware business for eleven years; since 1904 has been in trade for himself. He is a Republican and has been a member of the town committee since 1908. October 17, 1900, he was married to Helen M. Prentiss, daughter of Frederick G. and Kate Prentiss of St. Albans. He is a member of United Brethren Lodge No. 21, F. & A. M.; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter No. 27, of which he is excellent high priest; Windsor Council No. 8, R. & S. M., of which he is past thrice illustrious master; Vermont Commandery No. 4, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, of which he is thrice past master; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is past master of Franklin Lodge, No. 4, of St. Albans; past grand high priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Vermont, and past grand master of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Vermont. His religious belief is Episcopal.

ROMAINE A. SPAFFORD

Ex-sheriff of Windsor County, living in White River Junction, Vt., he has filled several positions of public trust. He was elected overseer of the poor in 1900, was a lister, a constable, and a collector of taxes each for four years, as well as having been a selectman of Springfield, Vt. He was chosen sheriff on December 1, 1896, and held the office for four years. He is a Republican. He was born March 28, 1847, in Weston, Vt., the son of John Franklin Spafford, whose date of birth was August 18, 1815, and Esther Turner Spafford, born June 4, 1813. He was educated in the common schools and Black River Academy at Ludlow, Vt., and then entered mercantile business, in which he remained for sixteen years. He was married, October 16, 1869, to Louisa Eudora Blodgett, daughter of Amasa and Caroline Blodgett of Springfield, Vt. His wife died December 31, 1902, after an illness which extended over thirty years, and Mr. Spafford still remains a widower. He has no children. Sheriff Spafford belongs to United Brethren Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered on April 6, 1900. He has filled all the chairs in his blue lodge, as well as being captain of the host and high priest in Cascadnac Chapter. In addition to his Masonic connections he is a member of Springfield Lodge of Odd Fellows and of Eagle Encampment of Springfield, in which he has occupied all the stations; is master-at-arms in the Myrtle Lodge, Knights of Pythias; and also a member of Eastern Star and of the Rebekahs. In Mt. Sinai Temple he held the ranks of architect and outside sentinel.

WILLIAM W. RUSSELL

Well known in Vermont as a banker, cashier of the National Bank of White River Junction, Vt. He was clerk in the State treasurer's office and deputy insurance commissioner between the years 1898 and 1906, and has also seen ten years' service in the Vermont National Guard. He was born in Plymouth, N. H., May 22, 1876, the son of Frank W. Russell, who was born June 22, 1847, and is still living. His mother's maiden name was Louisa A. Hall, and she was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, June 10, 1850. Noble Russell was married, April 30, 1906, to Bernice S. Macarthy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Macarthy of Springfield, Vt. He attended the local schools in Plymouth, graduating from the high school there in 1891. He belongs to United Brethren Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1900. He is a Republican.

WILLIAM HENRY BUCK

Of Wells River, Vt., was born June 28, 1847, at Concord, Vt., and was graduated from the Randolph Normal School in 1874. His father was William Buck, and his mother was born Amanda Fletcher. He married, December 5, 1904, Ella A. Dunlap, of Ryegate, Vt. A son by a former marriage, Malcolm Fletcher, born July 11, 1880, is now attending the Boston College of Pharmacy, with a view to following his father's profession. Noble Buck was a teacher and principal in the high school from 1876 to 1881, and since the latter date has been engaged in business for himself as a pharmacist. Since 1905 he has been chairman of the Board of Trustees of Wells River. He is a member of Pulaski Lodge No. 58, of Wells River, and of Palestine Commandery, K. T.; also of Temple Lodge No. 10, as well as of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of White River. He is a member of the Congregational Church; in politics is a Republican.

Arthur A. Sawyer

Romaine A. Spaffard

Carl W. Cameron

David A. Elliott

Wm. W. Russell

DAVID A. PERRIN

Has been postmaster of White River Junction, Vt., since April 1, 1898, is a native of Pomfret, Vt., where he was born July 13, 1851, the son of William and Betsey Beckford Perrin. They were American born. He attended the public schools of Pomfret and then entered mercantile life, which he followed for some time previous to his appointment as postmaster. From 1894 to 1895 he was chairman of the town committee of Hartford, Vt. He was married in 1879 to Alice L. King, daughter of George A. and Maria L. King of West Lebanon, N. H., and they have one child, Marde L., who was born November 9, 1884. Noble Perrin belongs to United Brethren Lodge No. 21, F. & A. M.; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Vermont Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple, his membership in the latter body dating from April, 1898. He is also a member of Myrtle Lodge of Odd Fellows, of which he has been vice grand, noble grand, secretary, treasurer, and trustee. His favorite recreation is hunting and fishing. He is a member of the Congregational Church and votes the Republican ticket.

WELLS E. LACKEY

Of White River Junction, Vt., is a traveling jewelry salesman, which line he has followed for the past five years. Previous to that time he was engaged in the insurance business for some time. He was born August 21, 1869, in Spencer, Mass., the son of Ira E. Lackey, a native of Alexandria, N. Y., and Matilda Pellett, who was born in Spencer, his mother only now surviving. He attended the public schools of his native town. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1907, and in addition belongs to United Brethren Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M., and Vermont Commandery, K. T. He is also a member of the Odd Fellows and the Sons of Veterans, and is past chancellor in the Knights of Pythias. In political matters he is affiliated with the Republican Party.

CHARLES R. JAMASON

A well-known publisher and editor of White River Junction, Vt., was born fifty-five years ago in Lowell, Mass., and until reaching the age of ten was reared by an uncle. During the winters he attended the public and high schools, and finished his technical education while residing in Granby, Quebec. He went from Canada to St. Albans, Vt., where he was employed as a typesetter in the office of the St. Albans "Daily Messenger," having learned the trade during his residence in the province of Quebec. Limited as had been his opportunities for attending school, he energetically and efficiently supplemented them by his own earnest endeavors in the sphere of mental culture, thus receiving an intellectual training and discipline not always to be gained in the schools. From St. Albans he removed to Poultney, Vt., where he continued to work at his trade, and in the course of time became one of the proprietors of the Poultney "Bulletin." Later he was engaged in newspaper work in Rutland and Manchester, whence he went to Morrisville, then to North Troy, and in that place became one of the publishers of the North Troy "Palladium." Some time afterwards he lived three years in Swanton, where he started and published "The Sentry," which he moved to St. Albans. In 1887 he sold this journal, removed to White River Junction, and took a position on his present paper, which he purchased after eleven months, since which time he has been publisher and editor of "The Landmark," a Republican organ, devoted to local interests and taking an active and aggressive part in local and political questions. In connection with his business as publisher he conducts a well-equipped job printing department. He has been solicited to accept office, but has repeatedly refused, believing that he can better fulfill his mission as a citizen by giving his best energies to his work as a newspaper man. He is a member of United Brethren Lodge No. 21, F. & A. M.; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter No. 27; Windsor Council No. 8, R. & S. M., and Vermont Commandery No. 4, at Windsor, Vt. He belongs to Mt. Sinai Temple and represented it in the Imperial Council in 1906, and held other offices in his temple until 1908, when he declined further honors. He is also a member of Wenona Chapter No. 43, O. E. S., and the Iroquois Club, White River Junction. He was married to Miss Laura M. Cole of Morrisville, Vt., in 1876. Their family consists of three children: Charles H., Earl R., and Harry E.

GEORGE W. SHERMAN

Of White River Junction, Vt., was born May 13, 1860, in Huntington, Vt., the son of Chester and Jane Rubeley Sherman. Only his father is living. He attended the Huntington public schools and in 1882 was married to Ida M. Ramson of Jericho, Vt. Fishing is Noble Sherman's favorite pastime. He has been a plumber with E. E. Bagley since 1908 and was manager of the Opera House at White River Junction seven years. He belongs to United Brethren Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Windsor Commandery, K. T.; and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1902.

CHARLES HENRY GREEN

Of White River Junction, Vt., has been actively engaged in the lumber business for fully forty years. He was a son of Charles and Eliza Ann Brooks Green, and was born in Bethel, Vt., March 24, 1846. He attended the public schools of Warren, Vt. He has been superintendent of the Woodland Department of the Fall Mountain, Winnipesaukee, and the International Paper companies. For years he has been selected to travel through the woods to examine the quality, quantity, and value of spruce timber lands. He was married, April 15, 1901, to Miss Isabella Tomkinson of Plymouth, N. H., whose father and mother, James and Jane Slater Tomkinson, are natives of Manchester, England. His first wife was Sarah R. Moore. Of this marriage there are three children: Lela M., Charles B., and G. H. Green. Noble Green belongs to Evening Star Lodge, F. & A. M., of Colebrook, N. H.; Caledonian R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, joining the latter in 1906. He is also a member of the Rochester, Vt., Lodge of Odd Fellows. He is fond of traveling in the woods and is acquainted with most of the forests in Vermont and New Hampshire. He is a Republican.

JAMES EDWARD CASS

Of Randolph, Vt., was born in Warren, Vt., January 3, 1846, where he attended the public schools. His parents were James G. and Emily S. Cass, both of Warren. He has been in the mason business since 1869, and joined the lumber trade with it in 1897. He belong to Phœnix Lodge, of which he is junior warden; Waterbury R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a member of the Grand Army Club and the Randolph Club. He was married in Rochester, Vt., to Miss Ella E. Whitney of Warren, daughter of Louis and Lourand Billings Whitney. In politics he is a Republican, while his favorite reading embraces general literature and the newspapers. He is greatly interested in fishing, boating and all outdoor sports.

David A. Perrin

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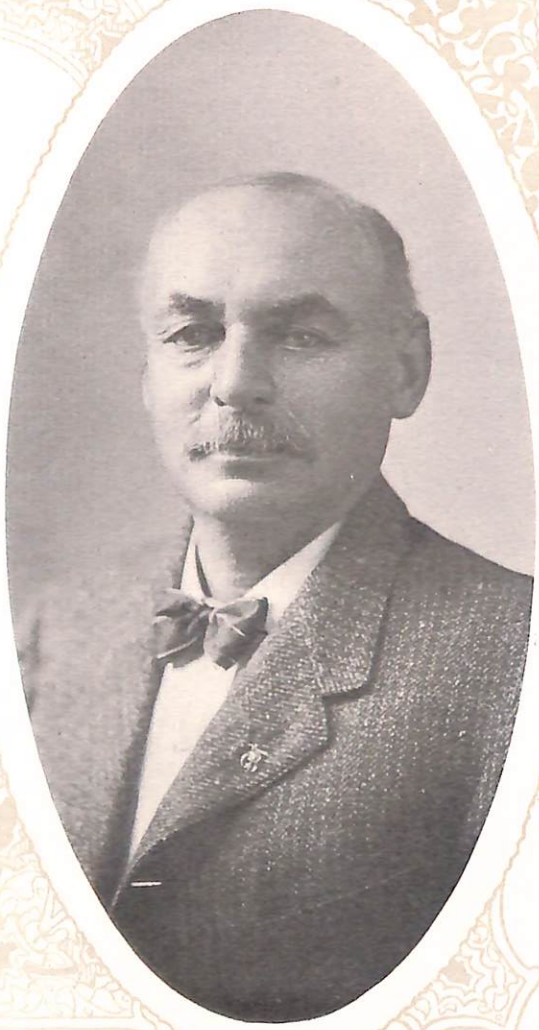

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EUGENE WILLARD RING

An express messenger for the American Express Co., a position he has filled since May 22, 1902, and lives at White River, Vt. He was born in Windham, Maine, December 31, 1868, and attended the public schools of White River Junction, Vt. His father, David Patterson Ring, who was born in Edgwood, Maine, July 18, 1824, is still living. His mother, Juliet Hare Ring, a native of Eastport, Maine, was born May 5, 1827. Noble Ring was married November 21, 1894, to Miss Annie M. Lampman, daughter of Hiram M. and Margaret Brear Lampman of White River Junction. They have two children: Charles Willard, born June 21, 1903, and Eugene David, born March 18, 1907. He is a member of the Methodist Church and is affiliated with the Republican Party in political matters. He has been in the express business since 1888. He belongs to United Brethren Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Windsor Commandery, K. T., aand joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1902. He is also in the New England Order of Protection.

H. RICHARD MILLER

Manufacturers' agent and owner of the Green Mountain Card Co. of White River Junction, Vt., was born in North Hartland, Vt., April 30, 1876. He is the son of Henry Richard and Louise Humphrey Miller; both parents are living. His father was born June 10, 1850, and his mother, September 19 of the same year, the two being Americans. Noble Miller was married October 9, 1901, to Jeanette Taylor Gulick, daughter of Clinton W. and Marietta Taylor Gulick of Minneapolis, Minn., and two children have blessed the union: Dorothy Jeanette, born November 15, 1903, and Martha Louise, born February 27, 1907. He received his education in the towns of Hartland and Hartford, Vt., graduating from the Hartford High School in the class of 1894. After leaving school he clerked in several stores and with his father entered the employ of the Excelsior Carriage Co., where he remained for about four years, severing his connection with it in 1908 to enter into business for himself. As manufacturers' agent he represents several of the largest carriage and harness firms in this country, and is also an importer of souvenir post cards of all kinds. He is affiliated with United Brethren Lodge No. 27, F. & A. M.; Cascadnac Chapter; Vermont Commandery No. 4, K. T., and since 1900 with Mt. Sinai Temple, and is also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and the order of Eastern Star. He is vice-president of the Miller Automobile Co. of White River Junction, Vt., and takes a great interest in outdoor sports in his leisure hours.

F. L. DAVIS

Of Hartford, Vt., was born in Norwich, Vt., February 2, 1861. His parents were Reuben and Minerva Maxham Davis, the mother still living. He was educated in the public schools of his native town, and has since made a success of agriculture, having owned and operated a large farm in North Pomfret, Vt. His duties calling him to White River Junction, he sold the Pomfret farm and took residence in Hartford about a year ago. In 1898 he was elected secretary of the Vermont Dairymen's Association, and continued to hold that office until January, 1910, when he was elected president of the association. He was president of Windsor County Agricultural Society in 1898 and 1899. He is a notary public, and has been chairman of the Republican town Committee of Pomfret since 1898. He was elected to the State legislature in 1900, and served until 1902; to the State senate in 1906 and 1907. He was chairman of the Committee on Agriculture in both houses, and a member of the following committees in the senate: Railroads, Education, and Taxes. In 1907 he was appointed one of the State Commission to the Jamestown (Va.) Exposition by Governor Proctor; also appointed a member of the State Board of Agriculture, and became its secretary in 1907; the same year he was appointed secretary and general superintendent of Vermont State Fair, a position he continues to hold; while in 1909 he was appointed State Cattle Commissioner by Governor Prouty, now acting in that capacity. He is a thirty-third degree Mason and a Shriner, and was on the Arab Patrol five years in Mt. Sinai Temple, Montpelier, Vt., also he has membership in a number of State clubs. In October, 1898, he married Genevieve F. Snow, who died February 12, 1906, leaving issue, Howard W., Marguerite, and Marion.

WILLIS JOHNSON KING

Born November 6, 1849, resides in White River Junction, a retired railroad man. His parents were Daniel and Louisa King, both Americans. He was married to Sarah B. Nutt, daughter of Alonzo B. and Louise Kneeland Nutt of White River. Noble and Mrs. King have a daughter, Mrs. Fannie Shirley, born October 21, 1876. His parents were Methodists. His favorite pastime is hunting and fishing. Politically he is a Republican. For twenty-one years he was locomotive engineer, and for fifteen years locomotive foreman at White River Junction. He became a member of Mt. Sinai Temple in 1901, and his membership in the Masonic bodies is as follows: United Brethren Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Cascadnac Council, and Vermont Commandery, K. T.

C. E. LAZELLE

Of White River Junction, Vt., was born in Bridgewater, Vt., February 17, 1863, and attended the public schools of Brookfield and Randolph, Vt. His parents were Martin C. Lazelle and Lucy M. Billings. He was married to Carrie C. Atwood, daughter of J. M. Atwood of Randolph, May 2, 1891. He belongs to United Brethren Lodge No. 21, F. & A. M.; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter No. 27; Vermont Commandery No. 4, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., entering the latter April 20, 1906. For the past seventeen years he has been connected with the International Harvester Co. of America as blockman, and, January 1, 1910, was appointed special salesman from the Boston office.

E. W. Ring

H. Richard Miller

F. L. Davis

A. J. King

C. G. Lazelle

EDGAR M. MADDEN

Of White River Junction, a native of Bridgewater, Vt., and was born August 27, 1846, the son of Michael and Mary Person Madden. He was married, July 21, 1869, to Susan A. Huntley of the province of Quebec, and they have one child, Geneveve L. Madden, who was born in September, 1873. Noble Madden belongs to United Brethren Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Cascadnac Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., entering the shrine in 1900. In politics he is a Republican and is a member of the White River Club. He has been a miller and in the flour and feed business for twenty-five years.

HARRY HUBBARD LEEDS

Born in Enfield, N. H., December 1, 1879. His father is Horace M. and his mother, Lizzie Webster Leeds, both Americans and living. He attended the public schools of West Lebanon, N. H. His political affiliation is Republican, and his religious connection is with the Universalists. He has been a clothing salesman for Wheeler Brothers since 1898. August 21, 1905, he was married to Anna Louise Knight of Barton, Vt., daughter of Benjamin and Julia Knight. Noble and Mrs. Leeds have one child, Carey Knight, born January 22 1907. They reside at White River Junction. His Masonic affiliations are with United Brethren Lodge, Cascadnac R. A. Chapter, Windsor Council, P. of J., and Vermont Commandery, K. T. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in May, 1902.

CHARLES S. WILSON

Born in Barre, Vt., November 10, 1856, the son of John N. and Elmira Wheaton Wilson. His primary education was obtained in the schools of his native town, from whence, in 1872, he went to Montpelier and entered the employ of Bixby & Co., a leading firm of pharmacists, of which his brother, the late Colonel Carlos B. Wilson, in his day widely known and esteemed in Vermont, was a member. Noble Wilson remained in Montpelier until 1879, until he had obtained a thorough knowledge of pharmacy, and then went to White River Junction to become a clerk for the firm of Hurd & Blodgett, proprietors of the first drug store opened in White River Junction. After a few years as a clerk, he, in association with C. M. Trask, M. D., bought the store of the founders and operated it under the firm name of Wilson & Trask. In 1891 Dr. Trask died, and his interest was later bought by Mr. Wilson's brother, Frank B., when the title of the firm became Wilson Brothers' Pharmacy, a name that has become familiar to the purchasing public throughout the entire section of which White River Junction is the commercial center. In February, 1889, he was married to Miss Reola M., the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin C. Bean of White River Junction. As a citizen of that place he is a representative of its best interests. In his commercial career he has been uniformly successful, as a result of his own skill, industry, and well-directed effort. He is in Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in 1895; is a member of Vermont Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, A. A. S. R.; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter, and of United Brethren Lodge, F. & A. M. He is also in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His daily life among his fellowmen is one of good cheer and open-hearted frankness.

N. P. WHEELER

Of White River Junction, proprietor of the Junction House there, was born in West Norwich, Vt., February 3, 1863. His parents, both of whom are still living, at an advanced age, are Nathan Phillips Wheeler, born in 1829, and May Ann Drew Wheeler, who was born in 1833. Noble Wheeler attended the public schools of West Norwich. He was married in 1884 to Lottie Metcalf, daughter of Henry and Lucy Metcalf of Woodstock, Vt., and they have two children: Charlotte, born February 9, 1887, and Rachel, born in April, 1894. Previous to entering the hotel business he was a merchant for a period of twenty-four years. He belongs to United Brethren Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T., and entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1898. He is also a member of Myrtle Lodge of Odd Fellows and of the White River Club. His political affiliations are with the Republican Party.

FRED H. PERKINS

A member of the firm of R. A. Perkins & Co. of that town, dealers in wool and automobiles, which was established in Springfield in 1887. His home is on Maple Street, White River Junction, Vt. He was born in North Springfield, Vt., April 4, 1877, attended the public schools of Springfield and White River Junction, and graduated from Child's Business College of Springfield, Mass., in 1898, entering business life immediately after that. His father, H. A. Perkins, who was born February 4, 1852, and his mother, who was Ella J. Marcer, are still living. He belongs to United Brethren Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, and Roby Council, P. of J. In Mt. Sinai Temple he crossed the burning sands May 2, 1907. He was married, December 31, 1898, to Fannie E. Eddy, daughter of E. F. and Edna Austin Eddy of Townshend, Vt., and they have one child, Loris Vern, born July 17, 1908. He attends the Universalist Church and is a Republican. He is fond of all outdoor sports, especially hunting and fishing, of which he does considerable in their proper seasons.

E. B. PALMER

Resides at Bristol, Vt., where for many years he was secretary of the Masonic Lodge. He is at present a member of the legislature, having been first elected in 1908, and has been active in Bristol's business circles for many years, serving as school director, justice of the peace, town grand juror, deputy sheriff, and auditor. He is a retired contractor and builder, and served for a long time as secretary of the Board of Trade. Noble Palmer was born June 12, 1844, at New Haven, Vt., the son of C. E. Palmer and L. Brown. He married in Bristol, in 1866, F. N. Hall, daughter of Dr. E. D. Hall of Potsdam, N. Y., and L. S. Sprague of Westport, N. Y. Six daughters and one son were born to them, of whom four daughters survive. Graduating from Beeman Academy in 1860, Noble Palmer took a special course in bookkeeping and general business training, and after a brief service as a salesman, went into business for himself as a contractor and builder, in which he was highly successful. He saw service in the Civil War, enlisting in August, 1861, as a private at the age of seventeen, in Company B, 5th Vermont Infantry, and was mustered out in January, 1866, as lieutenant commanding Company A, 9th Vermont Veteran Volunteers, and is past commander of Post No. 110, G. A. R. His Masonic membership is in Libanus Lodge No. 47, of which he was secretary for a long period; was king of Gifford R. A. Chapter, and thrice illustrious master of Minsill Council, R. & S. M. He was made a Knight Templar in Mt. Calvary Commandery No. 1. Noble Palmer is a past grand of the Odd Fellows, a member of the Encampment, of the order of the Eastern Star, the Daughters of Rebecca, and also of the Women's Relief Corps and the Ladies' Aid Society.

Edgar McMadden

Harry H. Leeds

Chas. S. Wilson

N. P. Whiebs

F. H. Perkins

JAMES G. HARVEY

A lawyer of White River Junction, Vt., having followed that profession ever since 1880. He became town auditor and agent in 1902, was State's attorney for Windsor County in 1896-08, and superintendent of schools for three years. He is a native of Canterbury, N. H., his parents, who are still living, being George H. and Rebecca Greenough Harvey. He attended the public schools and St. Johnsbury Academy, from which he graduated in 1876. He was married, May 1, 1883, to Cora D. George, daughter of M. E. and Frances George of Enfield, N. H., both of whom are deceased. His children are: M. Frances, born January 21, 1884; Maurice G., born September 17, 1891, and John R., born November 24, 1894. He belongs to United Brethren Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T., Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a past master of United Brethren Lodge, and for the last three years has been secretary of Cascadnac Chapter. He is also an Odd Fellow, being a past grand of Myrtle Lodge and district deputy of Grand Lodge, a member of the Encampment and Canton, as well as of the Red Men and Golden Cross. He is fond of hunting and fishing.

JOSEPH ALFRED GOUR

Born in L'Assomption, Canada, March 19, 1869. His father, Joseph Alexis Gour, and his mother, Marie Forest Gour, were both natives of Canada. He attended the public schools of Montreal. His vocation for the past twenty-three years has been that of a tailor and cutter, following it in Vermont, Canada, and in Boston. At present he is associated with the firm of Wheeler Bros. of White River Junction, where his home is. He is single, and a member of the Methodist Church. He belongs to United Brethren Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Windsor Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is fond of hunting, fishing, autoing, and all outdoor sports. Noble Gour is a diligent reader of the newspapers, magazines, general literature, and works on commercial subject.

FRANK B. HOWARD

Of White River Junction, Vt., is the son of Salvander V. Howard, was born in 1830, and Sarah H. Wilson Howard, born in 1832. He was born in Plattsburg, N. Y., July 28, 1866, and attended the public schools of that city, afterwards taking a course in the Albany College of Pharmacy. For several years he has been a druggist, being in business for himself at White River Junction, Vt., since 1895. He was married, October 30, 1889, to Carrie E. Gifford of New London, Conn. He belongs to United Brethren Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered May 20, 1902, and is also a member of Wenona Chapter of the Eastern Star. Noble Howard is a Republican and a member of the Methodist Church.

HENRY ALBERT BILLINGS

Makes his home in White River Junction. His parents were Franklin P. and Lydia E. Shedd Billings. He was born January 10, 1878, in Reading, Vt., attended the public schools of White River, and entered the employ of the New England Telephone Company. In 1896 he changed his occupation and adopted the business of plumbing and tinsmithing. He is a Republican. Hunting, fishing, riding and driving occupy his spare time, and he is a great lover of horses. He is unmarried. His temple in the Shrine is Mt. Sinai; his blue lodge is United Brethren; his chapter, Cascadnac; his commandery, Vermont, and the Lodge of Perfection, Windsor. He is enrolled in Myrtle Lodge, I. O. O. F., of White River Junction, Vt., in which he has held several offices.

BYRON L. BOGLE

Of White River Junction and Hartford, Vt., is in the wholesale jewelry trade and a member of the firm of Bogle Bros. He was born in Dover, Vt., June 9, 1863, the son of Moses J. and Fidelia Leonard Bogle; his mother is living. He attended the public schools of that place, also Leland and Gray Seminary at Townshend, Vt., and after graduation started in the mercantile business. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1907, his previous Masonic affiliations having been United Brethren Lodge, Cascadnac Chapter, and Vermont Commandery. He is a past grand in Myrtle Lodge, I. O. O. F., and past district deputy grand master; also past chief patriarch of the Encampment at White River. For sports he favors hunting and fishing. He is a member of the Methodist Church, and is a Republican. On September 6, 1884, he was married to Flora I., daughter of John and Sarah Thyng, and they have one child, Ernest Paul.

FRANK COLLINS

Of White River Junction, Vt., is a native of Newcastle County, Delaware, having been born January 26, 1865. His father, John P. Collins, was born in 1828, and his mother, Susan J. Statts, was born in 1838 and is still living. He attended the public schools of Delaware and graduated from Delaware College in 1889, then took an advanced course in electricity in Lehigh University. His special work has been electrical engineering. From 1893 up to the present time he has been treasurer and manager of Mascoma Electric Light & Gas Co. and Hartford Water Co., while previous to that he had been superintendent of the Catskill, N. Y., Electric Co. He is president of the Hartford National Bank of White River Junction, Vt. He was married to Miss May Sargent, daughter of Franklin Sargent of Medford, Mass., May 20, 1897, and has four children: Herbert D., born June 15, 1900; Hazel Sargent, born October 2, 1902; Amos B., born March 17, 1906, and Paul Derrickson, born April 18, 1909. He belongs to United Brethren Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Vermont Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Windsor Council, P. of J.; Windsor Chapter of Rose Croix, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is an Episcopalian. Outdoor sports interest him, and he is fond of fishing.

James G. Harvey

Frank B. Howard

J. A. Gour

H. G. Billings

Byron L. Bogle

EDGAR JOHN FISH, M. D.

Of South Royalton, Vt., was born in Washington, Vt., February 7, 1851. His father was John Perry Fish, a native of Brownsville, N. Y., his mother is Ann V. D. Fish, a native of Williamstown, Vt. He attended the public schools of Washington and Chelsea, Vt. July 26, 1872, he was married in Barre, Vt., to Miss Eliza A. Lyman, of Washington, Vt. They have two children: Dr. John Euclid Fish, born July 30, 1873, and Harold Dufur Fish, born August 13, 1883. Noble Fish graduated from the University of Vermont as an M. D. in 1874 and has since been a practicing physician and surgeon. He is a Republican, and served as representative from Royalton in the legislature from 1902 to 1904, and as senator for Windsor County from 1904 to 1906. He is a member of Rising Sun Lodge, F. & A. M., where he was worshipful master for five years; Whitney R. A. Chapter, serving as captain of the host; Haswell Council, R. & S. M., of which he is past conductor of work; Vermont Commandery, K. T., where he is a past commander; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, serving as master of ceremonies; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a past worthy patron of Rising Sun Chapter, O. E. S.; also a member of Alpha Chapter of the A. K. K. Fraternity. He is fond of autoing, and his reading is history and scientific works. His religious preference is Congregationalist.

GEORGE GANE

Entered the nobility in Saladin Temple, Grand Rapids, Mich., February 25, 1892, but dimitted into Mt. Sinai Temple upon his return to Vermont in 1903. He now resides at 105 Cushing Avenue, Boston, and is employed by the Valley City Milling Co. of Grand Rapids, Mich., as New England salesman. Previous to his return to New England he was engaged in the flour trade in Michigan, and in 1883 was appointed postmaster of Mackinaw City, Mich. Noble Gane was born August 1, 1852, at Ingersoll, Ont., the son of John Gane and Elizabeth Parsons, both natives of England. He married in Wexford County, Mich., March 9, 1871, Sarah Whaley, by whom he had two sons: W. H. Gane, M. D., born June 12, 1879; and Robert Bruce Gane, born October 2, 1896. His Masonic membership is in United Brethren Lodge No. 21, of White River Junction, Vt.; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter No. 27, of White River Junction; Windsor Council No. 8, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery No. 4, K. T., Windsor, Vt.; Grand Rapids Lodge of Perfection; Grand Rapids Council, P. of J.; Grand Rapids Chapter of Rose Croix, and Grand Rapids Consistory of the Scottish Rite. He is also a member of the United Commercial Travelers No. 131, at Grand Rapids, Mich.; of the Knights of the Grip of Michigan, the White Mountain Commercial Travelers' Association, and of the New England Fat Men's Club.

AMOS H. LAMB

Retired from the hardware business at South Royalton, Vt., and now resides at 16 Lawrence Street, Charlestown, Mass. He has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1899. His Masonic membership is in Rising Sun Lodge No. 7; Whitney R. A. Chapter No. 5; and Vermont Commandery, K. T. Four generations have been members of Rising Sun Lodge, Noble Lamb's grandfather, father, and son all having been raised in that lodge. He was born in Tunbridge, Orange County, Vt., January 20, 1833, the son of Hon. Charles M. Lamb and Louisa M. Hutchinson-Lamb of Tunbridge. His great-grandfather on his father's side was Joseph Lamb, a soldier in the Continental Army from Connecticut, who, after the War of Independence, resided in Randolph, Vt., where Noble Lamb's father was born. On the maternal side Noble Lamb's great-grandfather was Deacon Hezekiah Hutchinson, a native of Connecticut, and one of the pioneers of Tunbridge, Vt. He erected the second house built in that town, which was burned just before completion, and while absent in Connecticut to procure funds with which to rebuild it, a band of Indians from Canada came down the first branch of White River and burned the house of John Hutchinson, just across the line in Royalton. John, brother of Deacon, had fled to the woods, having learned of the approach of the Indians. The families of these brothers were yet in Connecticut. Noble Lamb's maternal grandfather was Amos, son of Hezekiah, and his mother the daughter of Amos, who married Jerusia Rix of Royalton. At the time the Indians burned John Hutchinson's house they kept on down the White River, and his grandmother, then an infant, was carried in her arms by the fleeing mother to Sharon, escaping thence to Norwich. Noble Lamb married, in October, 1863, Fanny J. Lutz, daughter of Thomas and Sarah McCollon Lutz of Lamoille, Ill. She died in 1905, leaving two children. Noble Lamb is a veteran of the Civil War. He enlisted as a musician in Company B., 22d New York Infantry, for two years, and in 1864 re-enlisted in Company G., 139th Illinois Infantry. He was promoted and went out of the army as principal musician. After the war he came to South Royalton, where he made his home until 1906, and engaged in the stove, tin, and hardware business. He served Rising Sun Lodge as master and is past commander of Orville Bixby Post No. 93 G. A. R., of Vermont. His wife was, and his daughter is, a member of the Eastern Star. Noble Lamb usually attends the Congregational Church. He is fond of reading historical and biographical works and good fiction, and as a recreation enjoys hunting and fishing. He spends his summers on Lake Champlain, where he has a cottage at Camp Martin, Milton, Vt., while his winters are passed with his son in Charlestown, Mass. In politics he is a Republican.

HARLIN CARPENTER

Of South Royalton, Vt., was born in Strafford, that State, August 3, 1841. He attended the public schools of his native town, New Hampton Academy, and Eastman Commercial College in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., receiving his diploma in the latter institution in 1862. His parents were Selah and Rebecca West Carpenter, both of whom were natives of Strafford. He was married in Boston, February 15, 1865, to May Ann O'Neal, daughter of Patrick O'Neal of that city. They have no children. His Masonic affiliations are with Temple Lodge; Whitney R. A. Chapter; Haswell Council, and Vermont Commandery; is also a member of the Shrine through Mt. Sinai Temple in 1899. He has been practicing dentistry in South Royalton since 1887, before that being in New York five years and New Britain, Conn., two years. He has interested himself in photography development, devoting five years to it. In politics he is a Republican. He is fond of travel, hunting, and fishing, and prefers Shakespeare's works as literature. His parents were Universalist.

THALES DWIGHT BUGBEE

Of White River Junction, Vt., joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1906. He is of United Brethren No. 21, Masonic Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter No. 27; Vermont Commandery, K. T., and No. 4 Windsor Lodge of Perfection, A. A. S. R. He is also an Eastern Star member. His profession is that of a dentist. He graduated from the Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery in March, 1899. He was born in Pomfret, Vt., the son of Justin and Abbie M. Dana Bugbee.

E. J. Fisch, 33°

Amos H. Lamb

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Harlan Carpenter

T. Dwight Bugbee

E. P. TEWKSBURY

Conducted the business of a painter and designer for forty years, now retired, closing out in 1902, and lives on High Street, Woodstock, Vt. He was born in Granville, Vt., March 28, 1842, the son of Panachal and Edith C. Gould Tewksbury. He was educated in the Woodstock public schools and Green Mountain Institute, taking a special course in English. He was married, January 29, 1873, to Emily E. Montague, daughter of Norman and Hannah E. Hagar Montague of Woodstock, his wife's father being a native of North Bridgewater, Vt., and her mother of Hardwick, Vt. They have one child, Ralph M. Tewksbury, born in 1879. Noble Tewksbury is chairman of the board of village trustees of Woodstock. He is fond of all outdoor sports, but his favorite diversions are fishing and hunting. He reads widely and keeps well posted on the current news. He is affiliated with Woodstock Lodge; Ottaquechee R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., having been admitted to the latter body in 1895. He is a past master, a past high priest, and district deputy grand master, and filled all the minor offices in the lodge, chapter, and council. He is a member of the Masonic Veterans' Association of Vermont.

H. P. CLARK

Of Woodstock, Vt., was born in Pomfret, that State, August 9, 1868, and conducts a meat and provision business, which he established in 1905. Previous to that he was a farmer for twelve years, and later conducted a stationery business for four years, from 1896 to 1900. He attended the public schools of Pomfret and Woodstick, including the high school, for two years. His father was Jo. A. D. Clark, of Pomfret, and his mother was May Frances Sprague. He was married to Martha A. Dana of Boston, daughter of Benjamin S., and Catherine Dana, of Woodstock. He has two children: Benjamin Dana, born April 14, 1900, and Paul Dennison, born November 28, 1901. He is a Republican, and was village trustee four years between 1897 and 1905. He belongs to Woodstock Lodge, F. & A. M.; R. A. Chapter; Windsor Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. His favorite reading consists of magazines and general literature, while for recreation he is fond of all outdoor sports.

ORLANDO W. SHERWIN, M. D.

Of Woodstock, Vt., has been a practicing physician for the long period of forty-four years. He is a native of Woodstock, Vt., where he was born October 30, 1837. His parents were Calvin Sherwin, a native of Reading, Vt., and Angeline Wood Sherwin, a native of Woodstock, Vt. Dr. Sherwin was married, October 3, 1866, to May Jane Forbush, daughter of Rufus and Fidelia Hapgood Forbush of Reading, Vt. Mrs. Sherwin died December 1, 1886. He belongs to Woodstock Lodge, F. & A. M.; Ottaquechee R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. &. S. M.; Windsor Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, and entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1887. He was past master of his blue lodge thirty years ago, and was high priest of the Royal Arch Chapter thirteen years, also grand high priest in the grand R. A. Chapter one year. He is a member of the American Medical Association and several local medical societies; was president of Vermont Medical Society in 1882. He also holds a commission signed by President Roosevelt as First Lieutenant Medical Reserve Corps U. S. A. (honorary member), and his name stands first on the list of appointments. He acts with the Republican Party in political matters.

GEORGE AITKEN

Born in Scotland, January 5, 1852, the son of Thomas and Margaret Drummond Aitken, attended the common schools of his native land and early in life came to this country. He lives in Woodstock, Vt., and is married, his wife being Margaret S., daughter of Thomas and Margaret Anderson. They have four children: Margaret P., Elizabeth M., Agnes A., and Marion A. He is enrolled in Mt. Sinai Temple of the Shrine; Woodstock Lodge, of which he has been worshipful master; Woodstock R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M., and Vermont Commandery, K. T., with membership in the Eastern Star and American Jersey Cattle Club. His favorite diversion is traveling. By occupation he is a farmer.

E. F. WARDWELL

Of Woodstock, Vt., has been conducting the business of a plumber and steam fitter for the past seventeen years in that town. He is a native of New York City, where he was born June 3, 1866, the son of W. S. and Lutishia L. Van Horn Wardwell. He attended the public schools of Rutland, Vt., and is married. In politics he is affiliated with the Republican Party, and is vice-president of the National Association of Master Plumbers of Vermont. He belongs to Woodstock Lodge No. 31, F. & A. M.; Ottaquechee R. A. Chapter No. 21; also a Knight Templar Commandery, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.

MARK JOHN SARGENT

Has been engaged in the drug business in South Royalton, Vt., from 1871 to the present time, a period of thirty-eight years, and has been a justice of the peace there for twenty-six years, his commission dating from 1883. He is a veteran of the Civil War, and a member of Bixby Post, G. A. R., of South Royalton. He was assistant inspector and aide on the staff of the national commander-in-chief; junior vice commander Department of Vermont; inspector, chief mustering officer, and aide on the staff of the department commander; post commander twenty-four years, and the present commander. He was mustered into Company E, 2d Vermont Volunteers, June 20, 1861, and mustered out June 20, 1864. In 1859 he was a school teacher. He was born in Tunbridge, Vt., March 9, 1837, and attended the district schools, closing his studies at a high school. His parents were William R. and Mahala Noyes Sargent. He was married twice, and is now a widower. His first wife, to whom he was married in Randolph, Vt., January, 1868, was Maria C. Hartwell, daughter of John and Caroline Hartwell of Tunbridge, who died September 30, 1874. His second wife was Harriet Lucinda Pike, daughter of James and Betsey Poole Pike of South Royalton, Vt., who died February 4, 1901. He has one son, William, born October 15, 1871. He belongs to Rising Sun Lodge, of which he has been secretary for twenty-eight years; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Randolph Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered in 1899. Despite his years, he is fond of all outdoor sports, and his reading is chiefly devoted to historical works. He is active in the work of education and has been clerk of the South Royalton district and graded schools twenty-six years, and twice a director, and on the committee of the Village Improvement Society since 1884.

E. P. Tewksbury

O. W. Sherwin

Hp. Clark

Geo Aitkin

E. F. Haidwell

JAMES F. DEWEY

Of Dewey Mills, Quechee, Vt., was born March 7, 1883. His father was William T. Dewey, his mother, Alice E. French. He received his education in Montpelier High School, Worcester Academy, and Lowell Textile School, graduating in 1904. He was made a Master Mason June 19, 1906, in United Brethren Lodge of White River Junction, and belongs to Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Vermont Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. His present business connection is with the A. G. Dewey Co., occupying the position of superintendent of its woolen mills.

FRANK WILLARD ATWOOD

Of Mt. Sinai Temple, was foreman for the Glen Manufacturing Co. at Berlin Falls, N. H., from 1886 to 1890; superintendent of American Soapstone Finish Co., Chester, Vt., 1890 to 1901; and superintendent of the Union Soapstone Co. from that year to the present time. He was born in Chester, Vt., April 28, 1855, attended the public schools of his native town and the Academy located there. His parents were Ira Willard and Emiline Giles Atwood. His father was born June 5, 1825, and is still living. His mother was born November 19, 1831. He delights in fishing and hunting, and is a charter member of the Social Club of Chester. He is connected with Olive Branch Lodge, F. & A. M.; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter, of Springfield, Vt.; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M., and Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., both of Bellows Falls. He is affiliated with the Democratic Party. He was married September 5, 1885, in Westminster, Vt., to Miss Florence Kenney, daughter of Chauncey and Eliza Wheeler Kenney of Springfield, Vt. Their children are: Effie May, Roy Charles, Guy R., Hazel E., Roscoe K., Mark L., and Dorris M. His favorite reading is history and general news. He resides in Chester.

REV. HENRY LINCOLN BALLOU

Of Chester, Vt., has been a Shriner since October 29, 1903, when he was received in Mt. Sinai Temple. He first saw Masonic Light in the Lodge of the Temple No. 94, F. & A. M., and is a past master of Olive Branch Lodge No. 64; is of Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter, and its chaplain; of Springfield Council, R. & S. M.; eminent commander of Holy Cross Commandery, K. T.; also in Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, Scottish Rite. He is a past grand lecturer and now deputy grand master of the Grand Lodge of the State. He belongs to Delta Upsilon Fraternity and the Sons of the American Revolution. He favors the Republican Party, and has represented Chester in the State legislature. He has been pastor of the Congregational Church of Chester since 1895, the year he was ordained to the ministry, and has been interested in educational work. For seven years he was the local superintendent of schools. Rev. Mr. Ballou was born in Wallingford, Vt., September 22, 1865, received his preliminary instruction in the public schools there, and is a graduate of Vermont Academy at Saxtons River, Vt., completing his education at Amherst College and Hartford Theological Seminary. He is the son of William Sabin and Esther Ballou of Wallingford. He was married, September 3, 1891, at Saxtons River, to Carrie M., daughter of Charles and Abbie Hoyt Hubbard of that place. Of this union there have been three children: Earle H., Paul H., and Donald H. He played football in college and is a lover of tennis and good literature. He has visited the greater part of this country, Canada, Cuba, and Europe in his travels.

FRED A. LELAND

In business at Chester Depot, Vt., he was born in Baltimore, that State, August 14, 1863. His father, Joseph Willard, and his mother, Electa Boynton Leland, are still living. He attended the public schools of Weathersfield and Springfield, and also Vermont Academy. He was married to Mary F. Webb, daughter of Charles M. and Lucy Hawkes Webb, in Chester, Vt., August 12, 1891. Noble and Mrs. Leland have two children: Nellie Lucy, born June 10, 1892, and Edith Electa, born November 24, 1893. By religious affiliation he is an Episcopalian and in politics is a Republican. He is fond of hunting and fishing and is deeply interested in the general news. He is connected with the following Masonic bodies: Olive Branch Lodge No. 64, of which he was elected and served as master for the years 1902, 1903, and again in 1909; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter No. 25, Springfield Council No. 18, R. & S. M., and Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., No. 12. He became a Noble in Mt. Sinai Temple in October, 1903. He was engaged in the general merchandise line in North Chester from 1890 to 1892, and since the latter year has been located at Chester Depot, dealing in general merchandise.

L. ETHELBERT SHERWIN

Born in Chester, Vt., July 16, 1869, the son of Ransom and Sylvia M. Tarbell Sherwin, he received his early education in the Chester schools, was graduated from the Chester High School in the class of 1889. He entered the University of Vermont, from which he was graduated in the class of 1893, in the classical course. Noble Sherwin became principal of Mendon High School, Mendon, Mass., and later principal of Walpole High School, Walpole, N. H., which latter position he resigned to become New England manager of the school-book department of Rand, McNally & Co. of Chicago, and five years later was admitted to the bar. He began the practice of law in Chester in 1901, where he has since resided. In the years 1903-04 he was a member of the Chester School Board, and in 1905 was elected a trustee of Whiting library of Chester, in which capacity he still continues. In 1906 he was elected to represent the town of Chester in the lower house of the legislature, on the Republican ticket, where he served until 1908. During the same period he was member of the commission appointed by the governor to examine normal schools. In 1908 he was elected to the State senate from Windsor County, in which capacity he is now serving. He was brought to light in Masonry in Olive Branch Lodge No. 64, of Chester, of which he is a past master, and was exalted in Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; is also a member of Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., as well as of Mt. Sinai Temple. Mizpah Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, also counts him as an honored member, and his connection with other societies outside of Masonry includes Chester Lodge of Odd Fellows, Rebekah Lodge, the Grange, and the Red Men. His religious preference is the Protestant Episcopal Church.

James H. Dewey

Henry L. Ballou

Frank H. Atwood

F. A. Leland

S. E. Sherwin

CHARLES KITTREDGE GARRING, M. D.

Of Atoka, Oklahoma, where he is a practicing physician and surgeon, was born in Chillicothe, Ohio, April 29, 1868. His father, R. J. Garring, was a native of Vincennes, Ind., and his mother, Philopena Taylor Garring, of Chillicothe. He attended the schools in Windsor, Vt., graduating in May, 1886; was graduated from the American School of Osteopathy in 1904, since which time he has been practicing in Atoka. He was formerly connected with the general merchandise firms of Tuxbury & Stone and Tuxbury & Sons of Windsor, Vt., from 1886 to 1889. He belongs to Vermont Lodge, F. & A. M., of Windsor; Windsor R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Vermont Council, P. of J.; Vermont Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, of Burlington, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is partial to outdoor sport, while his reading is largely historical, scientific, and medical.

ERNEST C. MAYNARD

A Noble of Mt. Sinai Temple, has traveled some, not only in Masonry, but otherwise. He has been employed by the Pullman Company as a conductor for the past six years, with headquarters in New York City, and resides at 811 Ritter Place. He had been in New York for some years previous with the Archer Manufacturing Company, but still maintained his legal residence in Vermont. Noble Maynard is not one of Vermont's native sons, for he was born in Williamsport, Pa., May 26, 1871, the son of Harrison Maynard of Duxbury, Vt., and Martha Smead Maynard of Maria, N. Y. He resided for some years at Bethel, Vt., where, December 13, 1892, he married Minnie E. Gilson, the daughter of Joel and Sarah Kingsbury Gilson of Bethel. Both he and his wife are members of the Congregational Church. Brother Maynard was made a Mason in White River Lodge No. 90, of Bethel, and was exalted in Windsor R. A. Chapter No. 6, of Windsor. The chivalric degrees he also received in Windsor, in Vermont Commandery No. 4, K. T. Noble Maynard is pleasantly remembered at Bethel by a host of friends, who are highly gratified to know that he still clings to Vermont as a home place. He received the Order of Nobility in Mt. Sinai Temple, December 13, 1907, the fifteenth anniversary of his marriage.

MARTIN L. WYMAN

Of Gaysville, Vt., was admitted to the nobility in Mt. Sinai Temple, June 11, 1890. He is a prominent business man, widely known and highly popular. He is the son of Anson Wyman of Vermont, and Lydia Hannaford, a native of New Hampshire, and was born at Poultney, Vt., May 3, 1836. He married at Harvard, Mass., February 12, 1856, Lydia B. Hardy, daughter of Emerson Hardy and Eliza Barrett of Concord, Mass. Four sons and a daughter have grown to maturity. Noble Wyman is president of the Moore & Wyman Elevator and Machine Works of Boston, a firm which was established in 1836 and incorporated in 1884. This firm erected the first passenger elevator in Boston in the American House. Noble Wyman is trustee of the public funds of the town of Stockbridge, Vt., and treasurer of the Belcher Library. From 1892 to 1895, inclusive, he represented the town of Stockbridge in the Vermont legislature. In politics he has been a consistent Republican since he cast his first ballot in 1857. White River Lodge, F. & A. M., of Bethel, Vt., proudly claims him as a past master. He was exalted in St. John's R. A. Chapter at East Boston, Mass., and received the cryptic degrees in Melrose Council, R. & S. M., at Melrose, Mass., while the Templar Order was conferred upon him by Hugh de Payens Commandery, also of Melrose, Mass. He dimitted into Whitney Chapter, Randolph, Vt.; Haswell Council, and Mt. Zion Commandery. Masonry runs in the Wyman family, and Noble Wyman is justly proud of the fact that all his sons have knocked at its door. Three sons, Walter E. and Charles E., of Boston, and George R., of East Walpole, Mass., are members of Aleppo Temple of Boston. Another son, Martin L., Jr., of Gaysville, Vt., is past master of White River Lodge at Bethel Vt. A daughter, Mrs. H. H. Ralph, of Wollaston, is the present worthy matron of Quincy Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Quincy, Mass. Noble Wyman is an honorary member of the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanics Association, and is also an honorary member of H. H. Baxter Post, G. A. R.

CHARLES A. KAVANAGH

Resides in Windsor, Vt., was born in Plymouth, that State, October 29, 1865, the son of James H. and Helen M. Sherwin Kavanagh. His mother is still living. He attended the public schools and was married, April 15, 1903, in Windsor, to Hattie C. Pitkin. Their children are: Flora H., born in May, 1905, and Mina A., born in May, 1907. His mother was identified with the Christian Church. He has membership in all of the Masonic bodies, including the 32°. He is past master of Vermont Lodge No. 18; high priest of Windsor R. A. Chapter No. 6; conductor in Windsor Council No. 8, R. & S. M.; generalissimo in Vermont Commandery No. 4, K. T.; deputy master of Windsor Lodge of Perfection, and is in J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of the I. O. O. F. and captain of a Canton Patriarchs Militant. He is a Republican.

JOHN H. GLOVER

Of Windsor, was born April 24, 1868, at New Bedford, Mass. He is the son of John Glover and Rebecca McBeth. His mother, born in 1823, is living. He was educated in the schools of New Bedford and married in Lynn, Mass., April 25, 1889, to Isabella C. Love, daughter of Richard Love and Margaret Mills, of Lynn. They have six children: Ethel May, born January 28, 1890; Emma F., born June 10, 1891; John H., Jr., born June 9, 1895; Chester, born Aug st 26, 1897; Alice I., born July 26, 1901, and Edgar M., born June 22, 1908. Noble Glover received the order of Nobility in Mt. Sinai Temple, May 8, 1908. His Masonic membership is all in Windsor. He was entered, passed, and raised in Vermont Lodge No. 18, and was advanced and exalted in Windsor Chapter No. 6, Royal Arch Masons. The Order of the Red Cross and the Order of the Temple, with the appended orders of knighthood, were conferred upon him by Vermont Commandery No. 4, K. T. Noble Glover is also a member of Mystic Lodge No. 19, Ancient Order of United Workmen. He is connected in a business way with the Windsor Machine Company.

Dr Chas. K. Garrett

Martin L. Wyman

A. Maymard

Chas. A. Kavanagh

John H. Glover

JOHN T. PAUL

Of Wilder, Vt., has been bookkeeper for the International Paper Co. in that town since 1892. He was born in Copperfield, Vt., September 26, 1876, and attended the public schools of his native place, graduating in 1892. His father, Samuel Paul, was born in 1852. His mother, Caroline H. Hooper, born March 14, 1857, is still living in West Fairlee, Vt. Both his parents were natives of England. Noble Paul was married, December 5, 1898, to Grace C. Terrill, daughter of Dr. Clark M. Terrill, and they have three daughters: Doris T., Marion G., and Marjorie L. Paul, aged respectively eight, four, and two years. He became a member of Mt. Sinai Temple in 1905, being also affiliated with United Brethren Lodge, F. & A. M.; White River R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Windsor Commandery, K. T., and Windsor Lodge of Perfection. He is a Republican, attends the Congregational Church, and is a lover of hunting and fishing as forms of recreation.

FRANK I. PALMER

A general merchant at Wilder, Vt., for the past twelve years, has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1902, the date of his admission being May 22. He was born at Waitsfield, Vt., December 28, 1865, the son of Julius I. Palmer and Elisa M. Drew, both of whom still reside at Waitsfield. He was graduated from Green Mountain Academy in 1885, and soon after entered a grocery at New Haven, Conn., to learn the business and lay the foundation for his present enterprise. He married at Wilder, Vt., September 26, 1894, Helen E. Hayes, daughter of John Hayes and Susan Ordway, of Strafford, Vt. Noble Palmer was a selectmen for four years in the town of Hartford, and also served for four years as a member of the Republican town committee. His Masonic membership is in United Brethren Lodge No. 21; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter No. 26; Windsor Council No. 8, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery No. 4, K. T., and in the Scottish Rite his affiliations are with Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Burlington Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory.

ALFRED E. WATSON

A well-known banker and insurance man, residing at Hartford, Vt., and doing business principally at White River Junction, Vt. As a member of the Republican Party of Vermont he has occupied a prominent place in its councils, besides serving in both branches of the legislature. He was born in Worcester, Vt, August 6, 1857, the son of Edward Cheney and Sophia Johnson. He attended the public schools of Hartford, Calais, and Worcester, Vt.; also Kimball Union Academy and St. Johnsbury Academy, graduating from the latter in 1879. He entered Dartmouth College, was graduated from that institution in 1883, and holds the degree of A. M. He has been town moderator for about ten years. He was a clerk of the State Board of Railroad Commissioners from 1886 to 1894, and railroad commissioner from 1898 to 1900. In 1894 he was elected to the lower house of the Vermont legislature, remaining two years, following which he was a state senator from 1898 to 1900. From 1884 to 1886 he was secretary of civil and military affairs, and he has also served as chairman of the Board of Auditors of Hartford, Vt., for eight years, and has been a school director and chairman of the building committee. He was a member of the Republican State Committee from 1896 to 1906, as well as being secretary of the Windsor County Republican Committee from 1892 to 1894. He has been in the insurance business since 1885, and now represents a large number of the leading companies of the United States and Europe. At present he is treasurer of the White River Savings Bank, a position he has filled for the past nineteen years, treasurer of the Reservoir Ice Company, and a director of The Hartford National Bank. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, April 12, 1898, and also belongs to United Brethren Lodge, Cascadnac Chapter, R. A. M., and Vermont Commandery, K. T. On July 3, 1883, he was married to Mary Maud Carr of New York, daughter of Walter S. and Mary L. Anderson Carr, and they have one surviving child, Margery Anderson, born December 18, 1887. Noble Watson is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Society of Dartmouth College. He likes all forms of outdoor sports, and is extremely fond of music.

CORNELIUS E. HURLEY

Station agent of the Central Vermont Railroad at Evarts, Vt., the past fifteen years. He is a native of St. Albans, where he was born September 27, 1875. His father and mother were born in America, the former in 1854 and the latter in 1853. They were Michael D. and Katherine J. Moriarty Hurley. His father has passed on. He attended the White River Junction public schools, graduating from the high school. He was married, October 22, 1896, to Miss Allie Reed, daughter of Adam and Alma Reed of Massena, N. Y., and there are three children: Cornelius E., M. Louise, and Reed W. He is an Episcopalian. Noble Hurley belongs to White River Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Windsor Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is Independent in politics. September 15, 1896, he was appointed postmaster of Evarts. Hunting is his favorite form of recreation.

ARTHUR R. BROOKS

Of the village of Wilder, in the town of Hartford, Vt., was born in Sherbrooke, province of Quebec, September 1, 1861. He moved to St. Johnsbury, Vt., in 1863, where his boyhood was passed, and received his education there, being a member of the St. Johnsbury Academy, class of 1882. His parents were Samuel T. and Lucy Clark Mills Brooks. His mother is living. He was married, June 18, 1890, to Abby Proctor Brown, daughter of Edward Franklin Brown and Abby Proctor. They have no children. He has been with the Olcott Falls Co., and its successor, the International Paper Co., since manufacturing was first started by them in 1885, as mill agent and later in charge of the porperty, and is also a director and secretary of the Victory Lumber Co. He is a Republican in State and national politics, and has filled the town offices of auditor and selectman, always taking an interest in the town and local affairs. His chief diversions are fishing, gardening, and tennis. He attends the Congregational Church. Noble Brooks, who is in Mt. Sinai Temple, is connected with the United Brethren Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Windsor Commandery, K. T., and Wenona Chapter of the Eastern Star.

J. J. Paul

Frank Palmer

Alfred E. Watson.

C. E. Hurley

Arthur P. Brooks

WALTER J. ACKERMAN

Son of John W. and Mary Ann Austin Ackerman, was born in St. Albans, Vt. November 15, 1875. His father, who is living, was born in Malone, N. Y.; his mother was born in St. Albans. He attended the schools of his native town and graduated from the Ontario Veterinary College, Toronto, Canada, in 1898. He was married, September 30, 1899, to Ethel Lillian Abbott, whose parents are George O. and Viola M. Campbell Abbott of Brattleboro. They have no children. He is a member of the Langdon Club, Lebanon, N. H.; Mt. Sinai Temple of the Shrine; St. John's Lodge, F. & A. M.; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Springfield Council, R. & S. M., and Holy Cross Commandery, K. T. He practiced veterinary medicine about five years and is now in the provision business in Springfield, Vt. He is a Republican and attends the Congregational Church.

RAY OSCAR LOVELL

Of Grand Rapids, Mich., still retains his membership in Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined April 20, 1906, as he does the membership in the Masonic bodies of Vermont. He is a native of Vermont, and was born September 25, 1879, the son of Royal Lewis Lovell and Etta S. Proctor Lovell, of Rockingham, Vt. He was educated in the schools of Springfield, Vt., and is a member of the Universalist Church. Noble Lovell seemed born to be a traveling salesman, and after successful connection with the firms of E. R. Lovell & Co., Somerville, Mass., A. J. Cunningham & Co., Boston, and Proctor Bros., East Cambridge, Mass., he went to Grand Rapids in 1903 to become traveling salesman for the Oliver Machinery Co., in which capacity he is still employed, and holds considerable stock with the company. He is unmarried. Ray O. Lovell was brought to light in Masonry in St. John's Lodge No. 41, F. & A. M.; was exalted in Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter No. 25; admitted to the ninth arch in Springfield Council No. 18, R. & S. M., and knighted in Holy Cross Commandery No. 12, K. T. In the Scottish Rite his membership is in Haswell Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. His friends in New England retain the most pleasant memories of Noble Lovell, and while they rejoice in his prosperity, they wish that his jovial presence could be oftener near them.

FRANKLIN BARNEY, JR.

Superintendent of the Springfield, Vt., Electric Co., having become connected with it in 1890. He is now, and has been for the past three years, moderator of town meetings, is a justice of the peace, a school director, and has been a fireman thirty years, part of the time occupying the position of chief of the department. He was born in Claremont, N. H., January 7, 1860, the son of Frank and Nancy N. Rogers Barney, and both are living. He is a graduate of the Springfield High School. He was married, September 5, 1883, to Julia L., daughter of Daniel and Mary Boyle Hayes. Noble Barney has four children: Daniel Rogers, a civil engineer; Frank Millard, Phyllis May and Keith Richard. He is enrolled in Mt. Sinai Temple, and his Masonic affiliations are with St. John's Lodge; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Springfield Council, R. & S. M., and Holy Cross Commandery, K. T. He is an associate member of the G. A. R. He is past master of his lodge, thrice illustrious master of his council, district deputy grand high priest of the fifth capitular district, and captain general in his commandery. He is fond of home associations.

W. H. H. SLACK

Son of John A. and Mary Ann McAllister Slack, was born in Springfield, Vt., February 21, 1844, and educated in the district schools. His boyhood was passed on his father's farm, and in his eighteenth year he enlisted in Company E, Sixteenth Regiment, Vermont Volunteers, and served his term as a private. Previous to his enlistment he had started to learn the trade of a machinist, and on his return from the front he resumed work at his trade in the employ of Parks & Woolson, where he continued until 1871. In 1871 he began the manufacture of wool shoddy at his present location, and has continued in that business until the present time. He was elected representative of Springfield in 1888 and was senator from the district in 1894. He was chosen delegate to the National Convention, which was held in Philadelphia in 1900, when McKinley and Roosevelt were nominated. He was aide-de-camp on the staff of Governor Carroll S. Page in 1890. He was married the first time to Nellie L., daughter of Hiram and Lucia A. Wilson Wyman. She died January 2, 1877, leaving two sons: H. Carleton and Walter W. Slack. He was married the second time to Anna M., daughter of Michael and Margaret Corbett, July 7, 1870, and their children are J. Milton and Virginia F. Slack.

CHARLES HENRY MOORE

A well-known merchant of Springfield, Vt., has conducted his present business since January 1, 1888, but he entered mercantile life eight years previous to that year, in 1880. He was born in Plymouth, Vt., October 8, 1864, and attended the public schools of his native town. His parents were American born. Levi B. Moore, his father, is living. His mother was Mary A. Hall Moore. He was married, June 29, 1887, to Mary Edna Burke, the daughter of Edmund C. and Loantha Herrick Burke of Springfield, Vt. They have one child, Edmund Burke Moore. Noble Moore is a Universalist in his church affiliations and a Republican in politics. He likes to hunt and fish at frequent intervals. He is a member of St. John's Lodge, Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Springfield Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is past master of St. John's Lodge, which office he has held four years in succession, also past high priest of Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter. He is on the roll of Springfield Lodge of Odd Fellows, having filled every office in it, including noble grand; is past worthy patron in the Eastern Star, and a member of the Masonic Club of Springfield.

W. S. LOVELL

Born in Rockingham, Vt., March 11, 1847, as were also his parents, L. C. and Louise Wilson Lovell. He attended the public schools of his birthplace, from which he graduated in 1865, and was married, September 18, 1867, to Sarah E. White, daughter of Luke and Clarissa Edson White of Rockingham. Mr. and Mrs. Lovell have one child, Clara Gridley Lovell, born July 23, 1873. They are of the Universalist faith and reside in State Street, Windsor. Noble Lovell was deputy sheriff from 1863 to 1905, and is at the present time superintendent of the Vermont State Prison. He enjoys fishing and is fond of all outdoor sports, while history and the daily papers are his favorite reading. He is a member of the Vermont Lodge, F. & A. M.; Windsor R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T., and a noble of Mt. Sinai Temple. He has been constable and sheriff for the county for three terms. He was appointed by the Governor of the State three times as sheriff.

Walter J Ackerman V.S

R O Lovell

Franklin Barnes Jr.

W. H. H. Slack

C. H. Moore

JAMES F. PUTNAM

Formerly a retired business man of Springfield, Vt., was born in Grafton, Vt., on June 3, 1848. His parents were John and Caroline Howard Putnam. He attended the public schools of Grafton and Rockingham, Vt., until fifteen years of age. He started his working life as a tinsmith, and during the intervening years had been connected in that capacity with Wiley & Smith of Saxton's River, Vt., Putnam, La Fountaine, and Staples, and H. B. Carter of Springfield, Vt. He retired from his labors in 1908, and later lived at his home at 9 Clinton Street. He was Independent in political matters, while his favorite pastime was fishing. Noble Putnam never married. He belonged to St. John's Lodge; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Springfield Council, R. & S. M., and Holy Cross Commandery, K. T. In Mt. Sinai Temple he walked the burning sands October 29, 1903. He died July 31, 1909.

HERBERT HANCOCK BLANCHARD

A member of the well-known law firm of Blanchard & Tupper and is judge of the municipal court, to which he was elected at the autumn election in 1909. He had previously been rewarded by the voters and had served one term as state's attorney. Judge Blanchard was born January 22, 1868, in Berlin, Vt., the son of Watson S. Blanchard and Sarah M. Hancock. He was educated in the University of Vermont and then took up the study of law. He married, June 26, 1895, Clara M. Silver, daughter of E. J. Silver and Lelia A. Marcy Silver of Windsor, Vt. Of this union there is one child, Minerva Lucille, aged ten. Judge Blanchard's father and mother are living, and an unusual coincidence is that both mother and father were born on the same day, February 10, 1845. Noble Blanchard has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1901. He is a member of St. John's Lodge No. 41, F. & A. M., and of Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter No. 25. He is a member of Springfield Council, R. & S. M., and of Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., at Bellows Falls. Judge Blanchard is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is secretary and treasurer of the Springfield Town Library and devotes much time to it. He is prominent in all movements for the improvement of his community, and is a factor in the literary and religious life of the town. He resides at 38 Pleasant Street. His favorite pastimes are motoring and lawn tennis.

FREDERICK SEYMOUR WEATHERHEAD

A photographer in Springfield, Vt., having opened a studio in that town in 1901. He was born in Guilford, Vt., July 24, 1853, the son of Orrin and Betsy Tyler Weatherhead. He was one of seven children, and received his education in the public schools of his native town. When about twenty years of age he learned the photograph business, which he has followed ever since successfully, operating several studios in Vermont and Massachusetts. Noble Weatherhead was married, January 22, 1902, to Miss Marie McCandless, daughter of John and Jane McCandless of Easthampton, Mass. In addition to being in the Shrine, he is a member of St. John's Lodge, F. & A. M., of Springfield, Vt.; Davenport R. A. Chapter, and Killington Commandery, K. T., of Rutland, Vt. He is devoted to his art, but is also an enthusiastic hunter and fisherman and a lover of high-bred horses, many of which he has owned. In his religious belief he is a Universalist and votes the Republican ticket.

CLARENCE W. LOCKE, M. D.

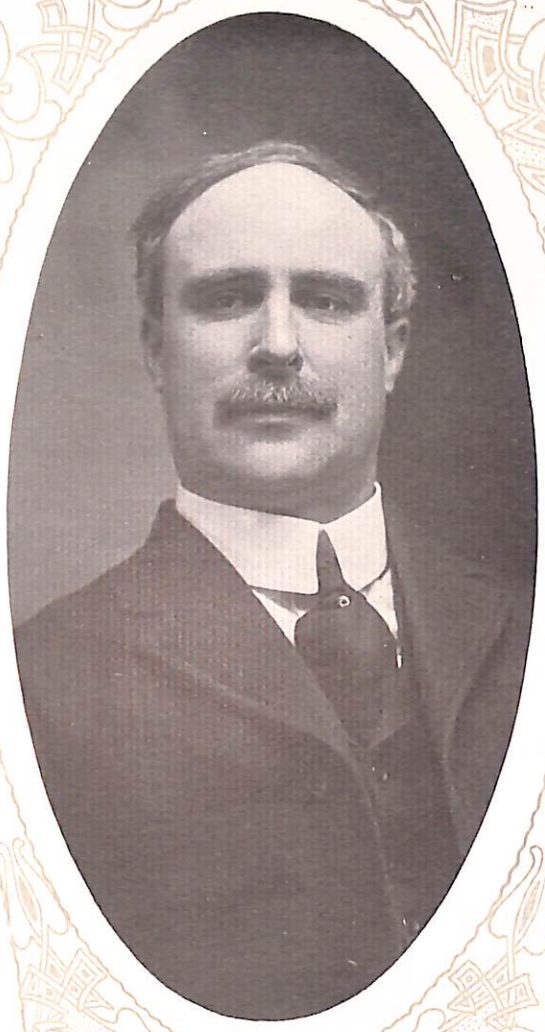
Born in Chester, Vt., August 29, 1850, of American parentage. His father was Oren Locke, and his mother Nancy Williams Locke. He received his education in Springfield, Vt., Lima Academy (New York), and his diploma came from Burlington University in 1882. At present he is a practitioner and health officer in Springfield. He was married to Miss Ella S. Safford, June 10, 1873, daughter of David and Emirancy Fairbanks Safford. Dr. and Mrs. Locke have two sons, Frank S. and Fred C. He is a Congregationalist, a Democrat in politics, and is affiliated with St. John's Lodge, F. & A. M.; a past master of Star Lodge of Grafton; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Springfield Council, R. & S. M., and Holy Cross Commandery, K. T. He is past high priest of his chapter, thrice illustrious master of his council, and a Noble in Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also connected with the I. O. O. F.

EVERETT H. REDFIELD

A native of North Springfield, Vt., where he was born December 17, 1855, and attended the public schools. His parents were of American birth. His father, Leonard Redfield, was born March 24, 1820, and his mother, Martha Cook Redfield, born October 4, 1825, is still living at the ripe old age of eighty-four. Noble Redfield has never married. He belongs to St. John's Lodge, having dimitted from Columbian Lodge of Columbus, Ga., to Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter, to which he went from Darley Chapter of Columbus; Springfield Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter in 1907. He was a locomotive engineer for eight years, but in 1893 entered the employ of Jones & Lamson Co., of Springfield, as a machinist and has remained there up to the present time. His political affiliations are with the Republican Party.

James S. H. Putnam

F. S. Weatherhead



H. H. Blanchard

E. W. Locke

Everett H. Redfield

FRANK R. LOVELL

Enrolled in Mt. Sinai Temple since 1908, is connected with the following Masonic bodies: St. John's Lodge; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Springfield Council, R. & S. M., and Holy Cross Commandery, K. T. He is a Republican and has occupied the position of superintendent of water works the past five years. Noble Lovell was born in Adams, Mass., June 24, 1862. His parents were Asa Raymond and Achsah Ann Aldrich Lovell, the former born in 1813 and the latter in 1837. He was married to Emma Leila Masten, daughter of Theodore and Mary Horton Masten, October 19, 1887. Mr. and Mrs. Lovell have two children, Raymond Herbert and Thelma A. His church affiliations are with the Congregationalists.

FREDERICK L. LAWRENCE

Born January 19, 1869, in Springfield, Vt., and lives there. His father was Merrill L. Lawrence, born in Windham, Vt., and his mother Katherine Locke Lawrence. He was married, December 24, 1898, to Miss Marie Schoonmaker of Kerhonkson, N. Y., the daughter of James O. and Maria Schoonmaker. Professor and Mrs. Lawrence are blessed with three children: Merrill Locke, born February 17, 1899; Frederick L. and James O. (twins), born February 22, 1907. Politically he is a Republican, and a Congregationalist by religious affiliation. He is fond of fishing, boating, and autoing. He was educated in the Springfield High School, and Northwestern University, and later took a special course in the Royal Conservatory of Music, Leipsic, Germany. He has been instructor in the School of Music of the Northwestern University; director of the Claverack College Conservatory of Music, New York; director of music in Montpelier Seminary, and of Carleton College of Music, Northfield, Minn.; for seven years director of School of Music and professor of piano in the University of Illinois. He holds membership in St. John's Lodge, F. & A. M.; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Springfield Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. His business connection is with Lawrence & Wheeler, Springfield.

MERRILL L. LAWRENCE

Became a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple, April 16, 1903. He holds membership in the following Masonic bodies: St. John's Lodge, Skitchewaug Chapter, Springfield Council, and Holy Cross Commandery. He was born in Windham, Vt., June 14, 1841, and attended the public schools. Always interested in music, he followed it professionally for some years. His father was Artemas Lawrence, and his mother was Patty K. Woodburn. July 18, 1867, he was married to Katherine L. Locke, daughter of Oren and Nancy Williams Locke. She died February 2, 1909. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence: Frederick Locke, Bertha Kate, Jessie Merrill, Alice Woodburn, and Russell L. Noble Lawrence is a Republican, and has been town clerk since 1882. He is a member of the firm of Lawrence & Wheeler, insurance and coal business, and is interested in the Springfield Local Telephone Co. He is fond of fishing, autoing, and music, having led the choir in the Congregational Church at Springfield, forty-three years. His grandfather was cousin to Horace Greeley.

JOHN C. EATON

A native of Springfield, Vt., where he still resides and does business. He is the son of Calvin M. and Cynthia Eaton, both native Americans. His father was born in 1829; his mother, born 1832, is still living. He was born November 24, 1854, and attended the local schools of Springfield. January 22, 1874, he was married to Abbie A. Adams, daughter of Abel and Susan Felch Adams. His wife's parents died about ten years ago, and were both buried the same day. The couple have two children, the oldest, Myron I. Eaton, is a farmer at Weathersfield, Vt., while the other, Cleon L. Eaton, lives with his parents. Noble Eaton belongs to St. John's Lodge; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Springfield Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. In addition he is also connected with the Order of the Eastern Star. He took up farming after leaving school, and for thirty years he has followed that pursuit, at the same time conducting a successful ice business. He attends the Methodist Church and is identified with the Democratic Party.

JAMES A. LAMSON

A molder in metals with the Vermont Snath Co. of Springfield, Vt., has been with that concern for the past fifteen years in the same capacity, but was at one time with Walter Wood & Co., Hoosick Falls, N. Y. He was born January 8, 1844, and although now sixty-five years old, is still active and in the enjoyment of good health. His parents were Asa and Jane Bingham Lamson. He attended the public schools of New York State, and on December 24, 1866, was married to Miss Lora A. Tucker, daughter of Davis and Roxanna Tucker of Vermont. One child was born to them,—Clayton E. Lamson, January 27, 1869. He is a pattern maker, in both wood and metal. Noble Lamson is a veteran of the Civil War, having served in the Ninth Vermont Regiment under Colonel Ripley, as a member of Company C, of which Charles F. Branch was captain. He is now a member of Jarvis Post, G. A. R. Noble Lamson belongs to St. John's Lodge; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., April 25, 1901, and is also in the Eastern Star. His wife has for the past fifteen years been secretary of Ramona Chapter, Eastern Star; is treasurer of Jarvis Woman's Relief Corps, and past president, and past department secretary of the Woman's Relief Corps of Vermont. He is a Republican.

F. R. Lovell.

M. L. Lawrence

Frederick L. Lawrence

J. L. Eaton

James A. Lawson

HARRY C. STICKNEY

Of Springfield, Vt., was born in that town April 14, 1882, the son of Augustin W. and Mary Jane White Stickney, both of whom are living. He attended the public schools of his native town and later took up the trade of blacksmith, which he has since followed, at the same time engaging in bookkeeping. He was formerly with Parks & Woolson as machinist, but is now with his father. He still remains single. His favorite recreations are driving and fishing. He belongs to St. John's Lodge; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T.; Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and is also a member of the Masonic Club of Springfield and of the Sons of Veterans.

AUGUSTIN W. STICKNEY

Of Springfield, Vt., where he has conducted a blacksmithing business many years, is a native of Mason, N. H., and was born April 29, 1848. His parents were Henry C. and Mary McKeen Stickney. He attended the public schools of Hanover, N. H., December 31, 1868, and was married to Mary J. White, daughter of Franklin and Caroline M. White of Braintree, Vt. They have three children: Henry L., Eva J., and Harry C. Stickney, born respectively January 25, 1871, April 4, 1877 (died September 2, 1878), and April 14, 1882. He is a veteran of the Civil War, having been a member of Company B, Eighteenth New Hampshire Volunteers, under Capt. Elias T. Smith, the regiment being commanded by Col. Thomas L. Livermore. He served ten months, when the war ended. He belongs to St. John's Lodge; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is a member of the Masonic Club of Springfield and of the G. A. R., and is a Republican in politics. Driving is his favorite form of recreation.

HENRY LADD STICKNEY, M. D.

Son of Augustin W. and Mary Jane White Stickney, born in Lebanon, N. H., January 25, 1871. He obtained his education in the schools of Springfield, Vt., and graduated from the high school in 1890. The same year he entered Middlebury College (Vermont), where he studied a year, and the following year matriculated in the Medical Department of the University of Vermont, from which he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1894. Following his course at the University, Dr. Stickney passed the next six months' vacation as an interne in the Boston City Hospital, and in June following received his degree from the college. Dr. Stickney practiced in Newport, N. H., from 1894 to 1903, when he removed to Manchester, N. H., where he is earning well-merited success. In July, 1906, he opened what is known as Hillcrest, a private hospital for the treatment of medical and surgical diseases, which he is now conducting successfully. He organized Sullivan County Medical and Surgical Society and was its first president; was medical referee of Sullivan County, and member of the Newport Board of Health for years. He is a member of the Hillsboro County Medical Society, the Center District Medical Society, the New Hampshire Medical Society, the New Hampshire Surgical Club, and the American Medical Association. He is a prominent Mason, a member of Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 34, Newport, N. H.; Chapter of the Tabernacle, No. 19, Royal Arch Masons; Sullivan Commandery, K. T., at Claremont; Mt. Sinai Temple, Order of the Mystic Shrine, Montpelier, Vt.; Order of the Eastern Star, Aurora Chapter, Newport; Ridgley Lodge No. 74, I. O. O. F., Manchester; Amoskeag Grange No. 3, Manchester, and the Vermont Association of Manchester. His political affiliations are with the Republican Party. Dr. and Mrs. Stickney are members of the First Congregational Church of Manchester. Dr. Stickney was married, May 1, 1895, to Lena B. Bridge of Ludlow, Vt., an accomplished vocalist, who received her musical education in Brooklyn, N. Y., Minneapolis, Minn., and Boston, Mass.; sang in several prominent churches in these cities, and also taught music there and in Newport, N. H., where she was teacher of music in the public schools until her removal to Manchester. She is the daughter of George S. and Ellen M. Bridge, born in Lebanon, N. H., July 5, 1870. Mrs. Stickney was elected the first worthy matron of Aurora Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, after its organization at Newport. Their children are: Marjorie Irene, born August 6, 1896; Maurice McKeen, born December 23, 1898, and George Malcolm, born April 20, 1902. Noble Stickney's favorite branch of reading is scientific, and his favorite pastime is tennis.

WELLS H. PROCTOR

Foreman for the Jones & Lamson Machine Co., of Springfield, Vt., has been a machinist for a full quarter of a century, and for the past nineteen years has been connected with the company for which he is now foreman. He was born in Rockingham, Vt., November 27, 1865, and attended the public schools of Springfield, Vt., where he now resides. His father, Nathan S. Proctor, was born May 9, 1836, and is still living. His mother was Martha A. Felt, born May 1, 1842. Both his parents were of American birth. He was married, January 13, 1891, in Springfield, Vt., to Miss Laura A. McIntire, daughter of William R. and Amandie M. McIntire of Springfield, Vt. Noble Proctor belongs to St. John's Lodge; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. In addition he is a member of the Eastern Star and of the Odd Fellows and is connected with the Masonic Club of Springfield. He attends the Universalist Church. His only pastimes are hunting, fishing, and automobiling, and he is a devoted follower of the three.

DANA S. BROWNELL

Of Springfield, Vt., where he is bookkeeper and cashier for the Jones & Lamson Machine Co. He has held the position since 1890, and has been village clerk. He is a member of these Masonic bodies: St. John's Lodge No. 41, of which he is worshipful master; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter No. 25, where he is scribe; Springfield Council No. 18, R. & S. M., in which he is captain of the guard, and is grand marshal of the Grand Council, Cryptic Rite; Holy Cross Commandery No. 12, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, 14°; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J., 16°; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°, and Vermont Consistory, S. P. R. S., 32°. He is enrolled in Mt. Sinai Temple. Noble Brownell hails from Lowell, N. Y., and the date of his birth was August 14, 1876. He attended the public schools in that State and graduated in Oswego, then took special courses in bookkeeping and stenography. He was married, September 7, 1899, to Jessie M., daughter of Merrill L. and Katherine Locke Lawrence, and they have one child, Helen Christine. His parents are A. M. and Ada A. Sherman Brownell, and they are both living. He is a Congregationalist, a Republican, delights in autoing, and raises fine poultry.

Harry Charles Stickney

Augustin W Stickney

Henry Ladd Stickney M. D

Wells H. Proctor

D. S Brownell

WILLIAM CHAS. CLIFFORD

Of Bethel, Vt., is a native of Maine, having been born October 20, 1870. His parents, now deceased, were Richard T. and Lizzie E. Dyer Clifford, both of Brooksville, Maine. He was married, January 20, 1894, in Blue Hill, Maine, to Miss Minnie S. Black, daughter of Van Buren and Adelina Combs Black of Brooksville. He served his apprenticeship as granite cutter with C. J. Hall of Belfast, Maine, beginning in the spring of 1888. In 1894 he was foreman for the Standard Granite Co. of Hall Quarry, Maine, and later was superintendent, staying with that company for six years. Since the summer of 1902 he has been general superintendent of the Woodbury Granite Co., at Bethel, Vt. He belongs to Mt. Desert Lodge of Maine; Randolph R. A. Chapter; Mt. Sinai Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of Blue Hill, Maine Lodge No. 79, I. O. O. F., and of the Rebekahs of Southwest Harbor, Maine. In politics he is Republican and his religious belief is Universalist. His children are: Adelina Lewis, William Charles, and Theodore Alexander. Ruth Elizabeth has passed away. He is fond of yachting, and his reading consists of historical works chiefly.

JAMES E. STONE

Of Springfield, Vt., where he has been janitor of the high school since 1895, was born in Weathersfield, Vt., October 27, 1850, and attended the public schools of that town. He was the son of Chester H. and Mary H. Stone. His father was born July 25, 1822, and his mother March 11 of the same year. He was married, December 31, 1875, to Frances G. S., daughter of John and Jane S. Grimshaw of Portsmouth, N. H. They have four children: Edith L., born December 11, 1879; Frank H., November 27, 1881; Gertrude, April 12, 1885, and Vivia, December 7, 1888. Noble Stone belongs to St. John's Lodge; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Springfield Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered in April, 1903, and is also connected with Springfield Lodge of Odd Fellows; of the Eastern Star, and is an associate member of Jarvis Post, G. A. R. He is a Democrat. Formerly he was engaged in the woolen business, and also in soapstone quarrying. Mrs. Stone, his wife, is warden of the Rebekah State Assembly and received the decoration of chivalry May 18, 1909, in the Order of Odd Fellows. She is also past president of Jarvis Woman's Relief Corps, past state treasurer of the W. R. C. of Vermont, and past matron in Ramona Chapter of the Eastern Star.

ROLLA M. CHASE

Of Bethel, Vt., was born in South Royalton, Vt., September 4, 1854. His parents were Moses Chase, born in Rochester, Vt., April 3, 1821, and Rosina Hill Chase, born in Sharon, Vt., April 4, 1823. He attended the public schools of Bethel. After leaving the dental college in 1876, he entered upon the practice of dentistry, and later took up medicine, having graduated from the Baltimore Medical College in 1890. He holds the degrees of D. D. S. and M. D., and in both professions has accomplished some notable special works. He belongs to White River Lodge, of which he was master two years; Whitney R. A. Chapter; Randolph Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, and was a delegate to the Imperial Council at Los Angeles in 1907. In 1900 he was a representative in the legislature from Bethel. He is married, his wife being a daughter of Cornelius and Mary Berry Newell, both of Bethel. He had two children: George Berry Chase, born June 19, 1880, and Susan Newell Chase, born April 15, 1882, who died June 14, 1900. His favorite reading is of a scientific nature. He was one of the organizers of the Vermont Dental Society in 1876, was state examiner on the dental board eighteen years, is a member of the White River Medical Society, the Vermont State Dental and Northeastern societies, and the International Medical Congress, and was one of the vice-presidents of the National Republican League in 1894 and 1895. He is also president of the Bethel Board of Trade.

LYSANDER M. HEATH

Is a native of Warren, Vt., and the date of his birth was July 5, 1851. He attended the public schools of that town. His parents were Darius Lyman Heath of Brookfield, Vt., and Lorcasta Billings Heath, a native of Windsor, Vt. Noble Heath is a resident of Bethel, Vt., where he is engaged in the coal and electric business. Previous to entering that line he was a lumber dealer for fifteen years, between 1887 and 1901, being connected with N. D. Rice, a lumber dealer of Roxbury. He belongs to White River Lodge; Montpelier R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also an Odd Fellow, and enrolled in Bethel Lodge of that order. He is a Republican, and became deputy sheriff of Washington County in 1879. His principal form of reading takes in history and general literature. He was married, September 24, 1873, to Miss Ella McAllister, daughter of Daniel and Jerusha Whitney McAllister of Foxton. His children were Ida Pearl, born June 2, 1880, but who died in infancy, and Ethelyn L., born November 19, 1883, who is not living. He attends the Universalist Church.

DR. GEORGE R. DAVIS

Among the younger and most enthusiastic members of Mt. Sinai Temple, a rising and exceedingly capable physician of Bethel, Vt., where he resides on River Street, and is kept busy with his growing practice. He was born in Fitchburg, Mass., December 13, 1880, the son of Julius S. Davis and Stella E. Mills Davis. He attended the public schools at Stockbridge, Vt., where his parents reside, and was graduated from Whitcomb High School in Bethel, Vt., in 1899. He then took up the study of medicine, and was graduated from the medical department of the University of Vermont in 1908. Noble Davis is a member of White River Lodge, F. & A. M.; Whitney R. A. Chapter; Haswell Council, R. & S. M., and of Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T. He was admitted to the secerts and mysteries of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1905, while a student in the University of Vermont. Besides his Masonic affiliations, Noble Davis is a member of Bethel Lodge of Odd Fellows and of the Modern Woodmen. He is a member also of the Windsor County and Vermont State Medical associations. In politics Noble Davis is a Republican. He is fond of hunting and fishing and all outdoor sports, besides being a great reader of medical and other scientific works. He is single, and in the two years he has been engaged in the practice of medicine in Bethel has devoted the abundant energy and talents which he possesses to laying the foundation stone for a practice which it is predicted will in later years stand as a monument to his zeal and skill. His popularity is not confined to his boyhood home, but he is also warmly welcomed by the Nobles of Mt. Sinai Temple, the ceremonial sessions of which he attends as often as the demands for his professional services will permit of his leaving Bethel.

W. C. Clifford

R. M. Chase

James C. Stone

Geo R. Davis. M.D.

WILLIAM MARCUS FISHER

Of Bethel, Vt., was born there November 8, 1869, and attended the public schools of the place. His parents were Edwin and Emelina Putnam Fisher. He was married in Bethel, September 24, 1903, to Miss Grace French, daughter of Edward French, a native of Ware, Mass., and Adelaide Bagg French, a native of West Springfield, Mass. He was assistant postmaster at Claremont, N. H., from 1888 to 1890, and since the latter year he has been in the railway mail service. His religious belief is Congregational. He belongs to White River Lodge; Whitney R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered in 1896. He is fond of driving and enjoys the game of baseball. Fiction and general literature make up his course of reading. He was delegate from Mt. Sinai Temple in 1902, to the Imperial Council in San Francisco.

OTTO V. GREENE, M. D.

Son of the late Dr. Lorenzo M. Greene, and was born in Bethel, Vt., where he still resides, May 14, 1880. His mother, whose maiden name was Ella Durkee, is living. He attended the public schools of Bethel, taking a Latin and scientific course at the high school, from which he graduated in 1898. He then went to the University of Vermont for three years, and later attended Baltimore Medical College at Baltimore, from which he graduated. Since 1902 he has been a practicing physician and surgeon, making a specialty of surgery. He was married in Bethel, February 24, 1904, to Miss Kathryn Bascom of that town. Her father, Frank Bascom, was the founder of Mt. Sinai Temple and a past potentate. Her mother, still living, was Virginia Gilson. Dr. Greene is a member of White River Lodge, of which he has been junior and senior warden; Whitney R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He has one child, born July 1, 1905. He is fond of autoing, fishing, and all outdoor sports, while scientific and medical works make up the bulk of his reading. His religious belief is Universalist, while in politics he is a Republican.

LORENZO M. GREENE, M. D.

Late of Bethel, Vt., was a successful physician and surgeon, and was born in Rochester, Vt., October 25, 1854, the son of Milton Greene, a farmer of Rochester, and Aurora Goodno Greene of the same place. In politics he was a Republican, and had been a state representative in 1896, 1898, and 1902, and a state senator in 1904. He attended the public schools of Randolph, Vt., and was a graduate of the State Normal School; also attended Dartmouth College and was graduated from the University of Vermont in 1876. He was a member of White River Lodge, of which he was past master for seven years; Whitney R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, and Mt. Sinai Temple. Dr. Greene was married to Ella Durkee, daughter of Norman and Lucinda Guernsey Durkee of Pittsfield, Vt. His wife's mother was a native of Saxton's River, Vt. His children are Harley and Otto Vernon. He was United States pension examiner and supervisor of the State between 1893 and 1906.

GEORGE HERBERT TUPPER

Of Bethel, Vt., was born in Rochester, Vt., June 4, 1855, the son of Royal H. and Martha Rogers Tupper. His mother was a native of Lowell, Mass. He was educated in the public schools of Bethel, Vt., and Goddard Seminary at Barre, Vt. On January 25, 1882, he was married to Nellie M., daughter of Jackson and Susan L. Graham of Bethel. Four children were born to them: Grace Louise, Henry Andrew, Marion Marie, and Frank Holden. Noble Tupper delights in travel and is a studious reader of general literature. His home is on River Street, Bethel, Vt. He has been a member of White River Lodge of Bethel twenty-five years, and treasurer twenty-two years. He is enrolled in Whitney R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and since 1901 in Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. In politics he is an unflinching Democrat, and as such was the member from Bethel in the Vermont Legislature from 1898 to 1900. He was postmaster at Bethel eight years, under both Cleveland administrations. He was engaged in the hardware business in Bethel from 1883 until July 1, 1909, when he sold out to his partner, J. A. Graham.

AUSTIN HAVEY

A resident of Bethel, Vt. He was born in Sullivan, Maine, January 25, 1862, the son of George C. and Jane H. Robertson Havey, both of whom are living. He attended the public schools of the Pine Tree State, and was married in Sullivan, December 13, 1885, to Eugenie E. Crabtree, daughter of Reuben and Eliza A. Smith Crabtree, of Hancock, Maine. He has been in the granite manufacturing business many years, at one time being connected with the E. B. Ellis Granite Co. of Bethel, Vt., from 1903 to 1905. Since 1906 he has been superintendent of the Woodbury Granite Quarries. He belongs to a Maine lodge of Freemasons, is also a member of Whitney R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a Democrat, while his religious belief is Universalist. He enjoys hunting and fishing, while most of his reading is devoted to history and the newspapers. Noble Havey has five children. They are: Leroy A., born September 29, 1886; Mahala B., born February 7, 1888; Miron S., born September 23, 1897; Lera M., born August 9, 1898, and Vernon E., born September 28, 1909.

DAVID L. BALLARD

Salesman for Jones & Lamson Machine Co., Springfield, Vt., residing in Chicago, Ill. He was employed for twenty-three years by the Hendey Machine Co. of Torrington, Conn. He was a traveling salesman eighteen years, his special line being the machine tool business. He was born in New Fairfield, Conn., and attended the common schools there. His parents were David and Laura Turrell Ballard; the former was born in 1811, and the latter in 1813. He was first married to Miss Annie L. Woodhouse of Torrington, who was the mother of his two children, Ruth and Achilles. She died in 1896, after nineteen years of wedded life. His second marriage was to Esther K. Beardsley. Noble Ballard is of the Episcopal faith. He delights in fishing, hunting, and automobiling. He is in Mt. Sinai Temple. His Masonic connections are: Seneca Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and Cyrus R. A. Chapter, both of Torrington; Springfield Council No. 18, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery No. 12, K. T., of Bellows Falls, Vt.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°, A. A. S. R. N. M. J. He holds membership in Ridgeby Lodge, I. O. O. F., Torrington, Conn. His political faith is Republican.

W. M. Fisher

Lorenzo M. Greene

Otto Herron Greene

Earl A. Tupper

Austin Harris

WILLIAM WYMAN SAWYER

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., is at present employed with the Vermont Farm Machinery Company of that city. Noble Sawyer was born in East Templeton, Mass., and received his education in the public schools there, and also in the Worcester Polytechnic Institute of Worcester, Mass., of which he is a graduate. His parents were Oliver and Elmira Augusta Johnson Sawyer. He was married in Charlotte, Vt., June 29, 1897, to Cora Lelia Deyette. He is connected with King Solomon's Temple Lodge; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple.

PERCY EDWARD RHICARD

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., a native of the province of Quebec, Canada, where he was born March 8, 1878, the son of Charles Edward and Louise Tibbetts Rhicard, both natives of Quebec. His father and mother are living. Noble Rhicard was married in Bellows Falls, February 5, 1907, to Margaret Sullivan, daughter of Owen and Mary Sullivan of Bellows Falls, who were natives of Ireland. Hunting is his favorite diversion during what spare hours he has in the proper season for the sport. He was formerly superintendent of the Canadian Manufacturing Co. of Montreal, but since 1908 has been connected with the Windsor Machine Co. of Windsor, Vt. He is a member of King Solomon Temple Lodge; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple.

GEORGE BRANDT ALLBEE

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., is the son of Lewis Lyman and Georgianna Brandt Allbree, his birthplace being Rockingham, Vt., and the date, January 25, 1860. He became a merchant in 1886, but prior to that, from April, 1878, was a sanitary and heating engineer. He attended the common schools and Vermont Academy. He is Independent in politics, and is in the Episcopal faith. He is enrolled in the Westminster Club. Besides membership in Mt. Sinai Temple and Alpha Chapter of the Eastern Star, he has attained the highest point in Masonry in the State. The various bodies are: King Solomon Temple Lodge; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, 14°; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J., 16°; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°, and Vermont Consistory, 32°.

ROMEO D. LOCKLIN

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., has been connected with the Vermont Farm Machine Co. of that city since 1904. He was born in West Rutland, Vt., on August 25, 1863, the son of Dennis M. and Julia L. Smith Locklin, both natives of West Rutland. He attended the public schools of Wallingford, Vt., and for two years was shipping clerk for the firm of Castine & Co. His special line of work is mechanical. He votes the Democratic ticket. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., on December 9, 1904. His Masonic record includes the following offices: In Champlain Lodge, junior deacon, January 21, 1891, and tyler April 6, 1892; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter, tyler, April 6, 1896; master of the third veil, March 24, 1898; principal sojourner, April 3, 1899; king, March 5, 1900; most excellent high priest, April 7, 1902, and district deputy high priest in 1907 and 1908; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M., steward, May 7, 1900; captain of the guard, May 4, 1903; principal conductor of work, May 2, 1904; deputy master, May 20, 1905, and thrice illustrious master, May 15, 1904. Noble Locklin is also a member of Bellows Falls Lodge, K. of P., and of the Bonheur Club of that city. His favorite diversions are bowling and motor boating. In his reading he is especially interested in works on ancient history. He is not married.

FREDERICK TILSON BRADISH

Resides at Bellows Falls, Vt. He was born in Randolph, Vt., October 5, 1865, the son of Alonzo G. and Ruth M. Tilson Bradish. His father was a member of the Masonic fraternity. His mother resides at Medford, Mass. He prepared for college in the public schools of Randolph and received his degree of A.B. from Dartmouth College in the class of 1889. After graduation he resided in Cleveland, Ohio, for three years, where he was engaged in the banking business. Since that time Noble Bradish has been engaged in manufacturing and general mercantile pursuits. From 1893 to 1905 he was a member of a Boston firm engaged in the manufacture and sale of dairy supplies and fixtures. In 1907 Noble Bradish removed to Bellows Falls to become connected with the Vermont Farm Machine Co. He married, June 29, 1898, Martha J. McAleese of Boston, and three of four children born to them are living: Robert Francis, aged ten; Margaret, aged seven, and John Alonzo, aged four. Noble Bradish is a member of the Westminster Club of Bellows Falls, also of the Bellows Falls Boat Club, in which he holds the office of vice commodore and is one of the directors. In addition to his membership in Mt. Sinai Temple, which dates from May 8, 1908, he belongs to King Solomon's Temple, Lodge No. 45; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter (in which he holds the office of principal sojourner), and Holy Cross Commandery, K. T. He is a member of the governing board having in charge the affairs of the new Masonic building and Masonic Temple Club of Bellows Falls.

CHARLES M. BLAKE

Of Westminster Terrace, Bellows Falls, Vt., was born in Bellows Falls, July 21, 1849, the son of Seth M. Blake and Martha J. Glover. He received his education in the Bellows Falls schools, and married in Bellows Falls, September 21, 1880, Eva L. Walker, daughter of Warren Walker and Emily P. Scripture. They have two daughters, Emily Isabel, born January 27, 1882, and Margaret Louise, born June 14, 1891. Noble Blake was associated with the Bellows Falls Brewing Company from 1876 to 1901, and in the latter year became the senior member of the firm of Blake & Higgins, paper manufacturers, in which capacity he still continues. He was brought to light in Masonry in King Solomon's Temple Lodge, and was exalted in Abenaqui R. A. Chapter. The cryptic degrees he received in Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M., and he was knighted in Holy Cross Commandery, K. T. Noble Blake is a member of the Westminster Club, in politics is a Republican, and his favorite pastime is automobling.

W. W. Sawyer

Geo B Allen

P. E. Rhicard

Remeo D Locklin

Fredk J Bradish

FRANK FOREST SHEPARD

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., is a well-known hotel proprietor of that place. He was born in Brookfield, Vt., December 14, 1868. His father and mother were John T. and Eliza Van Ornam Shepard. February 25, 1890, he was married to Gertrude B. Boutelle, and one child has been born to them, Ruth A. Shepard. He belongs to King Solomon's Temple Lodge No. 45, F. & A. M.; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter No. 19; Bellows Falls Council No. 17, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery No. 12, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Vermont Consistory, A. A. S. R., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M S., which he joined in 1904. He is also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, and he was a representative from the temple to the Imperial Council in St. Paul, Minn.

CHARLES SEYMOUR HOWARD

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., is a native of Skowhegan, Maine, the son of Sylvander and Sarah Wilson Howard of Pomfret, Vt. He was born February 4, 1856, and attended the public schools of Plattsburg, N. Y., graduating from the high school there in 1873, after taking a special course in English. He took up mechanical engineering, in which he has since been engaged. He was with the Osgood & Barker Machine Co. of Bellows Falls from 1879 to 1899, and since 1899 he has been connected as superintendent with the Bellows Falls Machine Co. For the past year he has been chief of the Bellows Falls fire department. He was married, February 1, 1883, to Miss Etta M. Whitney, daughter of Marshall M. and Margaret D. Whitney of Bellows Falls, Vt. He belongs to King Solomon Temple Lodge; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. In politics he is a Republican. He is a member of the Westminster and Bellows Falls Boat Clubs. His favorite form of recreation is boating, and his reading ranges through the best general literature.

NED PIERCE

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., who has conducted a slate roofing business of considerable scope from 1893 up to the present time, was born in Londonderry, Vt., February 10, 1859, the son of Alvah Warren Pierce, who was born in Andover, Vt., and Lucy Caroline Allen Pierce, born in Londonderry. His mother is living. He attended the public schools of Londonderry. His religious affiliations are with the Congregational Church, while in politics he belongs to the Republican Party. He was married in 1889 to Martha Gould of Somerville, Mass., daughter of Hollis Gould of Lowell, Mass. Her mother, Lucy Benson, was from Londonderry, Vt. His wife died in 1891, and later he was married to Alice Merial Morse, daughter of Samuel C. and Eveline Rice Morse of Westminster, Vt. In his leisure hours he devotes most of his time to reading historical works. He belongs to West River Lodge, No. 57, F. & A. M., of Londonderry; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter No. 19, of Bellows Falls; Bellows Falls Council No. 17, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery No. 12, K. T.; Alpha Chapter No. 53, O. E. S., and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in 1907. For twenty-five years he has been a member of Evening Star Lodge, Knights and Ladies of Honor, of Somerville, Mass.

GEORGE I. WHITNEY

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., has been an agent for the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company in that city since 1902. Prior to entering upon that he was connected with the retail grocery firm of M. M. Whitney & Son from 1885 to 1891. He next became cashier of the local freight department of the Fitchburg Railroad, filling that position from 1895 to 1901, and for the following year he was chief clerk of the Boston & Maine Railroad. He was born in Bellows Falls, December 22, 1864, the son of Marshal M. Whitney, a native of Putney, Vt., and Margaret Fickett Whitney, who was born in Cape Elizabeth, Maine. Both his parents are living. He attended the public schools of Bellows Falls, graduating from the high school in 1881. He was married, December 11, 1889, to Minnie E. Bridge, daughter of George E. and Emily Fisher Bridge of Woodstock, Vt. His home is at 3 Blake Street, Bellows Falls. He attends the Episcopal Church. He is a Republican, is fond of all outdoor sport, and his reading embraces the best branches of general literature. He belongs to King Solomon's Temple Lodge; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1905. In these bodies he is secretary of the blue lodge, past high priest in the chapter, thrice illustrious master of the council, junior warden in the commandery, assistant director in Mt. Sinai Temple and in the Grand Council is grand principal conductor of work. He is also a member of the Bonheur Club of Bellows Falls.

CLAYTON A. WALKER

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., is a native of Plymouth, Vt., where he was born June 23, 1884. He attended the public schools of Woodstock, Vt., leaving the high school of that town in the year 1900. He then entered the printing business in Woodstock, staying there until 1904, going from thence to White River Junction, where he remained until the spring of 1907, going to Bellows Falls, his present location. In 1908 he became a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and in addition to his membership in that body is also connected with United Brethren Lodge, Cascadnac R. A. Chapter of White River Junction, and Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., of Bellows Falls.

Frank F. Shepard

Ned Pierce

Roe S. Howard

George I. Whitney.

Clayton C. Walker

BENJAMIN F. WALTERS

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., has been clerk in the hardware and grocery business from 1887 up to the present time, and has filled the position of janitor of the Masonic Temple in that town. He was born in Port Washington, N. Y., April 3, 1847, the son of Benjamin and Maria E. Remson Walters of Great Neck, N. Y. He attended the public schools of his native place, and has never married. He belongs to King Solomon Lodge, F. & A. M.; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a Republican.

GEORGE AGUSTUS BOWTELL

Resides in Bellows Falls, Vt., received into Mt. Sinai Temple, June 6, 1904. In the Scottish Rite he has attained the consistorial grades, holding membership in Vermont Consistory. His Lodge of Perfection is Beauseant, the council is Edward Roby, and the chapter is Delta. In templarism he is connected with Holy Cross Commandery; in Cryptic Masonry he received the degrees from Bellows Falls Council; he is a companion in Abenaqui R. A. Chapter, and his first insight into the fraternity was given in King Solomon Lodge. He is of Alpha Chapter, Eastern Star, and holds membership in the Masonic Club of Springfield, Vt. He is attached to the Republican Party. He has been in the furniture business since 1907, but for seventeen years was a passenger conductor on the Boston & Maine Railroad. He was born in Keene, N. H., October 2, 1854, and early in life moved to Bellows Falls, Vt., where he attended the public schools. He was the son of George L. Bowtell of Charleston, N. H., now deceased, and Mary Ann Wise Bowtell of Troy, N. H., who is still living. He was married, July 23, 1878, in Rutland, Vt., to Miss Nettie L., daughter of Allen and Caroline Johnson Sanderson, the former being a native of Shrewsbury, Vt., and the latter of Rutland. There is one child, Blanche Gertrude Fuller, who was born November 18, 1880. Noble Bowtell is of the Universalist faith. Fishing and outdoor sports are his favorite pastimes, while he enjoys reading fiction as well as the daily papers.

PETER PARRISH WHITE, M. D.

A widely known physician of Williamsville, Vt., he was born at West Hebron, N. Y., May 30, 1861, and was educated at Whitehall High School, afterwards entering the medical department of the University of Vermont, from which he was graduated in 1883. Dr. White is the son of John White and Sarah Parrish, of West Hebron, N. Y., but he settled in Williamsville for the practice of medicine, and there married, June 10, 1885, Imogene R. Dickinson, daughter of Dennis A. Dickinson of Dumerston, Vt., and Mary C. Robinson of Williamsville. They have one son, Aaron C., born April 19, 1890. A daughter, born in 1887, died in 1894. Dr. White is a Democrat in politics. He was health officer for twenty years. From 1890 to 1893 he was school director, and from 1903 to 1907 was town clerk. During the second term of President Cleveland he was appointed treasurer and examining surgeon of the United States Pension Board of Brattleboro, Vt., which position he still holds. Noble White has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1907. He was raised in Blazing Star Lodge No. 23, Townshend, Vt.; exalted in Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter No. 12 of Brattleboro; admitted to the ninth arch in Connecticut Valley Council No. 16, R. & S. M., of Brattleboro, of which he is a life member, and was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Beauseant Commandery No. 7, in Brattleboro. He is a member of the Eastern Star at Townshend, also the Williamsville Grange. Dr. White is a member of the Brattleboro Wheel Club, and is fond of automobiling. Farming is a favorite pastime.

CHARLES HENRY GIBSON

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., is a native of Lagrange, Ohio, where he was born July 4, 1854, the son of Henry R. and Theresa M. Beckman Gibson, both parents now deceased. He attended schools in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and graduated from Eastman's College. January 1, 1885, he was married to Miss Addie S. Bidwell, daughter of George S. and Ruth M. Noble Bidwell, and they have one child, Edna T. Gibson. From September, 1882, up to the present time he has been bookkeeper for the Moore & Thompson Paper Company. He belongs to King Solomon Lodge, F. & A. M.; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of which he is first ceremonial master. His religious belief is Universalist; his favorite sports are hunting, fishing, and trap shooting.

CLARENCE WRIGHT BUSH

A native of Brookline, Vt., where he first saw the light of day August 8, 1877. His parents were E. Wright and Mary J. Landfear Bush. He has been connected with the firm of John T. Moore & Sons, of Bellows Falls, since 1905, as shipping clerk. He attended the schools of Brookline, and was married June 26, 1909, to Miss Annie R., daughter of Hattie Wheeler Brown of Wellesley, Mass. His favorite pastime is driving, while in politics he is Republican. He is on the roll of King Solomon Temple Lodge, F. & A. M.; Abenaqui Chapter, R. A. M.; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He belongs to the Odd Fellows Lodge of Bellows Falls. He resides in Bellows Falls, Vt.

B. E. Walton

C. P. White M.D.

D. H. Bowtell

C. H. Gibson

Clarence Wright Bush.

FRED ALFRED ADAMS

Enrolled in Harmony Lodge of Northfield, Mass.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter of Brattleboro, Vt., and Beauseant Commandery, K. T., also of Brattleboro. He holds membership in Mt. Sinai Temple. Noble Adams was born October 19, 1860, in Northampton, Mass., the son of Alfred and Maria Davis Adams, both of whom are deceased. The date of his father's birth was December 23, 1820, and that of his mother, March 6, 1823. His present occupation is that of station agent for the Boston & Maine Railroad, which he entered upon in October, 1874. He attends the Christian Church and lives in South Vernon, Vt. His chief recreation is hunting and fishing.

GEORGE S. FOSTER, M.D.

Of Putney, Vt., is a native of Waltham, Vt., where he was born June 7, 1848. His parents were Nicholas and Esther B. Foster. He attended the public schools of Vergennes, Vt., taking a classical course in the high school there. He is a graduate of the medical department of the University of Vermont and settled in Putney, Vt. He has served on the Board of Education, also as superintendent of schools for fourteen years. He has been a member of the Board of Supervision of the Insane for the past eleven years, has twice been president of the board, and is at the present time. In politics he is a Republican, and was in the state senate in 1896. For twelve years he was a member of the Board of United States Pension Examiners. He belongs to Golden Rule Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He has filled all the chairs in the blue lodge of Putney. He was married, May 28, 1879, to Alice S. Wheat, daughter of Samuel and Mary Wheat of Putney. He and his wife are Universalists. His reading includes general literature and medical works.

HERBERT ALEXANDER STATEN

Of Vernon, Vt., has been engaged in farming from 1884 up to the present time. He was born in Beverly, Mass., September 22, 1862, and went to the public schools of that city. He is the son of Henry and Mary Dyer Staten. His father is still living, as well as a brother and sister. January 15, 1907, he was married to Zelia Johnson, daughter of Tyler and Jeanette Aldrich Johnson of Vernon, Vt. He belongs to Columbian Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Edward Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple; is likewise a member of Wantesqui Lodge of Odd Fellows of Brattleboro. He votes the Republican ticket.

DAVID A. YOUNG

Now engaged in business in Seattle, Wash., with his home at 119 Harvard Avenue north, in that city, was born March 13, 1859. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., May 10, 1899. In addition he belongs to Brattleboro Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Seattle Commandery No. 2, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; a council of P. of J. and a chapter of Rose Croix, besides Vermont Consistory, 32°. He was married, September 5, 1881, and has one child, a daughter, Maud A. Young, who was born June 16, 1883.

CLARENCE A. NICHOLS

Of Newfane, Vt., has for some years been engaged in the business of butter making, and since 1902 has been manager for Windham County Creamery Association of Newfane. He was born in Lunenberg, Vt., September 15, 1878, the son of Luther Allen Nichols, born September 27, 1853, and Carrie Ellen Pond Nichols, born February 9, 1858; both parents are living. From March 1, 1898, to March 1, 1900, he was with the Lunenberg Co-operative Creamery Association, and from April, 1900, to April 1, 1902, was connected with the Moose River Creamery Co., going to his present position in the latter year. He attended the district schools and St. Johnsbury Academy, also Barbour's Business College in St. Johnsbury, and took a special course in agriculture and dairying in the University of Vermont. He joined Moose River Lodge No. 8, November 9, 1900; Haswell R. A. Chapter, October 18, 1901; Palestine Commandery, K. T., December 3, 1901; Mt. Sinai Temple, June 26, 1906, and also belongs to Blazing Star Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Townshend, Vt.; Newfane Lodge of Odd Fellows, and Oasis Encampment of Brattleboro. His favorite sports are baseball and basketball. Noble Nichols was married, June 22, 1901, in Lunenberg, to Margaret Ella Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hill of that place, and they have two children: Wayland Hill Nichols, born July 23, 1906, and Margaret Shirley Nichols, born June 5, 1908. In politics he is a Republican, while his religious affiliations are with the Congregational Church.

ARTHUR L. KNIGHT

Born in Cambridge, Vt., December 4, 1878, and attended school in Underhill, the same State, afterwards taking a business course in Albany, N. Y. His father is Darius W. Knight of Hyde Park, Vt., and his mother, the late Eva A. Whipple Knight, formerly of Cambridge Vt., both Congregationalists. He was married, October 20, 1908, to Miss Mae C. Marshall of West Chester, Pa., daughter of L. P. and Carrie Smith Marshall, both of West Chester. He is fond of yachting and all outdoor sports. His reading matter is the general literature of the day, while his political affiliation is Republican. He has been connected with the Vermont Farm Machine Co. of Bellows Falls since 1898. He is a member of King Solomon Temple Lodge, F. & A. M.; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M., and Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1904.

FRED A. KNIGHT

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., was born in Cambridge, that State, November 29, 1881. He attended school in Underhill and took a special course at the Burlington Business College. His father is Darius Knight of Hyde Park, and his mother the late Eva Whipple Knight of Cambridge, Vt., both Congregationalists. He was married to Miss Georgia A. McCabe, daughter of Edward and Mary Fuller McCabe of West Rutland, Vt. In politics he is a Republican, while his favorite pastimes are fishing, boating, in fact, all outdoor sports. Since 1900 he has occupied the position of billing clerk for the Vermont Farm Machine Co. of Bellows Falls. In 1908 he was initiated into the mysteries of the Mystic Shrine in Mt. Sinai Temple, also holds membership in King Solomon Temple Lodge, F. & A. M.; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Holy Cross Council, R. & S. M., and Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., as well as in the Bonheur Club of Bellows Falls.

F. A. Adams

H. O. Staten

Geo. O. Foster

David A. Young

C. A. Nichols

HERBERT E. TAYLOR

Postmaster of Brattleboro, Vt., having received his appointment from President Roosevelt in 1904, previous to which time he served five years as deputy collector of internal revenue and four years as special inspector of customs. The insurance business has claimed him for the past twenty years. He is a veteran of the Civil War, serving for three years in the Fourth regiment of Vermont Vol nteers, and being twice severely wounded in the battle of the Wilderness. He was born in Guilford, Vt., October 13, 1837, the son of Jeremiah Taylor, born in 1800, and Mary Edwards Taylor, both parents Americans. He was married, October 7, 1867, to Emmeline Dutton, daughter of Stephen Dutton of Dummerston, Vt., and is now a widower. He has one child, Linn Dutton Taylor, who was born February 1, 1869. Noble Taylor hails from Columbian Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is a Republican. Driving and fishing have been his favorite diversions.

COLONEL JACOB GRAY ESTEY

President of the Estey Organ Company of Brattleboro, Vt.; he has filled that office since 1902. He was a son of the late Julius J. Estey, and was born in Brattleboro August 2, 1871. He was educated in the Brattleboro schools and the Vermont Academy, and took a special course in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was married, October 29, 1892, to Martha Poor, of Peabody, Mass., and has two children; Jacob Poor, and Joseph Gray. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. Colonel Estey is well known as the colonel of the 1st regiment, Vermont National Guard, which military post he has filled for the past ten years. He is also a member of the Sons of the Revolution and the Society of Foreign Wars, as well as belonging to the Vermont Wheel Club and the New York Athletic Club. He is a Republican, and is at present chairman of the Brattleboro Board. He is a close reader of historical, scientific, and military works, an enthusiastic motorist, and fond of all outdoor sports.

ISAAC DAVIS BAILEY

Of Brattleboro, Vt., born in Worcester, Mass., October 2, 1847, and attended the public schools there. He took up the trade of blacksmithing in 1864, and in that line has been very successful. His religious affiliations are with the Orthodox Church. In politics he inclines to the Republican Party. He was married, May 31, 1906 to Elizabeth DeE. Perry of Providence, R. I. He was chief rabban of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., previous to his election as illustrious potentate, which office he now holds, and is prominent in Masonry to the highest point. The various bodies to which he belongs are Columbian Lodge No. 36, F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter No. 12; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M., No. 16; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., No. 7; Bingham Chapter, O. E. S., No. 30; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, U. S. A. He is an honorary member of the Supreme Council, 33°, is enrolled in the Royal Order of Scotland, and is a Knight of the Red Cross of Constantine, in which he holds the position of grand junior warden. He is most illustrious grand master of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters, of Vermont; a past master of the blue lodge; past high priest of the R. A. Chapter; past thrice illustrious master of his council in the Cryptic rite; past eminent commander of his commandery; past grand junior deacon of Grand Lodge of Vermont; past grand sword-bearer of Grand Commandery, K. T., of Vermont; past venerable chief of the Masonic Veterans' Association of Vermont, and is junior warden of the Lodge of Perfection. He was elected illustrious potentate of Mt. Sinai Temple, December 10, 1909.

THE REV. EDWARD THOMSON MATHISON

Rector of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church at Massillon, Ohio, entered upon this pastorate May 1, 1907. For more than seven years previous to that time he was rector of St. Michael's Church at Brattleboro, Vt., where he endeared himself to the hearts of all. He was born at Oldtown, Maine, June 21, 1870, and graduated from Yale University in the class of 1893. He received holy orders at Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown, Conn., and from 1895 to 1896 was rector of St. Andrew's Church at Marbledale, Conn. From 1896 to 1900 he was rector of Immanuel Church at Ansonia, Conn., and in the latter year was chosen rector of St. Michael's in Brattleboro. The Rev. Mr. Mathison married at Ansonia, Conn., February 16, 1898, Elizabeth Colburn. Five children have blessed this union: Flora Annette, Catherine, Elizabeth, Robert Edward, and Frederic Huntington. The Rev. Noble Mathison was raised in Rising Sun Lodge No. 27, Washington, Conn., in 1896, and was exalted in Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter No. 12 of Brattleboro, Vt., in 1901. He was admitted to the ninth arch in Connecticut Valley Council No. 16, of Brattleboro, and was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Beauseant Commandery No. 7, K. T., of Brattleboro. Soon afterwards he was admitted to the nobility of Mt. Sinai Temple. Both Church and Masonry were zealously served by the Rev. Noble Mathison during his pastorate in Brattleboro. From 1902 to 1907, when he left for his present charge, he was prelate of Beauseant Commandery, eminently fitted by temperament and training for this solemn office. He was high priest of Fort Dummer Chapter from 1904 to 1907. In 1904 and 1905 he was district deputy grand high priest in district No. 5, and in 1906 he was grand lecturer of the Grand Chapter of Vermont. The Rev. Noble Mathison has entered actively into civic life in Massillon, and is a member of the Board of Trade, being chairman of the Committee on Structures and Buildings at the present time. He is also a member of the Board of Missions of the diocese of Ohio as well as of the Bishop's Committee.

CAPTAIN JULIUS HARRY ESTEY

Of Brattleboro, Vt., was born there July 9, 1874. He is an organ and piano manufacturer, and has been connected with the Estey Organ Company of Brattleboro since 1892, his education being received in the public schools of Brattleboro, where he graduated from the high school in 1892. He was married, June 19, 1895, to Miss Allethaire Chase, daughter of E. H. and Susan Cowan Chase of Louisville, Ky., and they have two children: Paul Chase, born August 22, 1896, and Allethaire Gray, born April 29, 1900. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge No. 102; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T.; E. H. Roby Lodge of Perfection; Burlington Council, P. of J.; Burlington Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. In politics he is a Republican, and his religious affiliations are with the Baptist Church. He is devoted to autoing and all outdoor sports, while his reading is principally confined to scientific works.

Herbert E. Taylor

Isaac Davis Bailey

J. G. Estey

Edward Thomson Mathews

J. H. Estey

W. E. ELETHORPE

Of Brattleboro, Vt., was born in Hague, N. Y., May 1, 1872. His father is Charles P. Elethorpe of Bridport, Vt., and his mother Frances E. Wright Elethorpe. He attended the public schools of Bridport, and took a special course in the Albany, N. Y., Business College. He has been in mercantile business since 1888. Since 1899 he has been in the hardware line, and was superintendent of the wholesale business trade of the Baker Hardware Co., Sioux City, Iowa, in 1902-04. From 1905 up to the present time he has been a salesman with J. Edgar Mellen. He belongs to Morning Sun Lodge of Port Henry, N. Y.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter, of which he has been principal sojourner; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter in 1909. He is a Republican. Hunting and fishing are his favorite pastimes, while his reading embraces fiction and the daily papers.

LUTHER HENRY BARBER

Born at Whitman, Mass., May 12, 1860, but removed to Vermont with his parents at an early age, and was educated in the schools of Wilmington, Vt. He is the son of Hardy Flabb Barber and Rebecca Bonney, the former a native of Vermont and the latter of Whitman, Mass. In his early manhood he removed to Brattleboro, and for twenty-four years was employed by the Estey Organ Company as a tuner. In 1904 he entered business for himself, with a piano, music and musical instrument store, in which he has been highly successful. Mr. Barber married Annie Allen, daughter of Isaac K. Allen and Adelia Stockwell, of Brattleboro, October 6, 1889, and to this union two children have been born: Scott Luther Barber, June 5, 1891, and Lela Adelia Barber, July 12, 1900. Both Mr. and Mrs. Barber are members of the Congregational Church. Noble Barber was brought to light in Brattleboro Lodge No. 102, F. & A. M., of which he is senior steward, and was exalted in Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter. He was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Beauseant Commandery, and joined Mt. Sinai Temple May 22, 1909. Noble Barber has reached the eighteenth degree in the Scottish Rite, and is also a member of the Eastern Star. He is fond of fishing and hunting, and also of reading fiction and general literature.

EUGENE HENRY AKLEY

Of Mt. Sinai Temple is engaged in farming, which he began in 1881. He is a Republican, and has been selectman of Vernon, road commissioner ten years, and town representative for 1900, 1906 and 1908. He was born March 9, 1858, in Brattleboro, Vt., his parents being Henry and Florinda F. Church Akley. His father was born March 3, 1830, and his mother, May 8, 1833. Noble Akley attended the public schools of Brattleboro, and is a graduate of the academy of that town. He was married, March 16, 1881, to Mary E. Barney of Guilford, Vt., daughter of William W. and Emily Cudworth Barney. Mr. and Mrs. Akley have two children: Inez Cudworth, born July 7, 1882, and Harold Eugene, born July 26, 1887. He is a 32° Mason, giving his allegiance to Vermont Consistory, Scottish Rite, N. M. J. The other bodies of the rite with which he is connected are Windsor Lodge of Perfection, 14°; Ed. Roby Council, P. of J., 16°; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°. He is affiliated with Columbian Lodge, F. & A. M.; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M., and Beauseant Commandery, K. T. He is also master of Vernon Grange, having occupied the position four years. His residence is in Vernon.

MAJOR C. HOUGHTON

A member of the dry goods firm of Houghton & Simonds of Brattleboro, Vt. He is a native of the Green Mountain State, where he was born December 18, 1874. His parents were Samuel B. Houghton and Sarah Johnson. Since leaving school he has always been engaged in mercantile business. He was married, November 15, 1898, to Ella Barrett Blodgett of Brattleboro. His present firm dates from 1902. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge, F. & A. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple.

JOHN CALEB HOWE

Of Brattleboro was born in Dover, Vt., May 16, 1849, the son of Caleb Lysander and Martha Simmonds Howe. He was married, September 17, 1872, to Miss Florence Fisher of Newfane, Vt., whose parents were Simon and Juliet Halliday Fisher. He has one child, a daughter, Miss Florence Juliet Howe, who was born September 5, 1887. Noble Howe attended the public schools of Brattleboro, graduated from the high school in 1868, and has since engaged in the art of photography there. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge, F. &. A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a charter member of the Connecticut Tribe of Red Men and has filled all the chairs of that order,—junior and senior sagamore, sachem, and prophet. He likewise holds membership in the Vermont Wheel Club, is a Republican, and prefers riding and driving for recreation.

W. E. Electhorpe

E. H. Akley

L. H. Barber

M. C. Houghton

John C. Mann.

JOHN TAYLOR WRIGHT

Of Vermont, Vt., has been a successful farmer since he was sixteen years old, a period of thirty-one years, having carried on the occupation on his own account during that time. He is a Republican in political matters, and was elected a representative to the legislature in 1904. He is an enthusiastic automobilist, and is also very fond of outdoor sports of all kinds. He was born April 18, 1863, and attended the public schools of Hinsdale. He is the son of Ozro and Lucina Wright. November 28, 1884, he was married to Ida Ackley, daughter of Henry and Florinda Church Ackley, but is now a widower, his wife having passed away, leaving him with one child, Roby Ida Wright, born January 26, 1900. He belongs to Columbian Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Edward Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also a member of the Vermont Grange, is a Republican, and his religious belief is Universalist.

CHARLES H. THOMPSON

Of Brattleboro, Vt., was born there February 4, 1872, the son of Charles F. Thompson, a native of Salem, Conn., and Elizabeth Anne Thompson, who was born in Hartford, Conn. He attended the public schools of Brattleboro, graduating from the high school in June, 1886, after taking a full classical course. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1903, and is also a member of Brattleboro Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M., and Beauseant Commandery, K. T., holding the office of warden in the commandery at present. He likewise belongs to the Odd Fellows, being a member of both the subordinate lodge and the canton in Brattleboro. He is in the order of the Eastern Star; is a member of the Vermont Wheel Club; an associate member of Sedgwick Post, G. A. R.; holds non-resident membership in the Wool Club of New York, and is a non-resident member of the American Club, Chihuahua, Mexico. As a Republican he has served four years as a bailiff, being two years chairman of the board, and has been for six years chairman of the School Committee out of nine years' service in that body. For twelve years he was an officer in the Brattleboro Fire Department. He was for fourteen years teller of the Vermont National Bank, resigning that position in 1903. At present he is general manager of the Carlos Mining Co. His reading is largely devoted to works of a scientific nature, while tennis is his favorite pastime. He has been greatly interested and is still active in the work of promoting the crusade against tuberculosis. He is also concerned in the work on behalf of the colored people, and is a trustee of the Industrial School at Southern Pines. He was married, June 8, 1896, to Ruth Noyes of Brattleboro, daughter of Charles D. Noyes, a native of Guilford, Vt., and Leila Elizabeth Fletcher Noyes, born in Chesterfield, N. H. They have one child, Leila Elizabeth, born November 4, 1898. Noble Thompson and wife belong to the Congregational Church.

GEORGE H. BOND

Any Noble of Mt. Sinai Temple journeying to Washington will find a noble of Mt. Sinai there to welcome him in the person of George Herbert Bond, who is a messenger in the United State senate, having charge of the door in the senate lobby. His mail address is U. S. Senate Postoffice, but his legal address is 14 Brook Street, Brattleboro, Vt. Noble Bond was born January 31, 1846, at Dummerston, Vt., and was educated in the public schools there. His father was Luke Taylor Bond of Dummerston, and his mother was born Elsie Stoddard in Chesterfield, N. H., in 1804. He married in Brattleboro, January 6, 1870, Addie R. Carpenter of Orange, Mass., daughter of George Carpenter of Roxbury, N. H., and Elisheba Maynard of Gilsum, N. H. They have two children, Elizabeth Carrie, born April 28, 1871, and Nellie Gertrade, born July 22, 1872. For over twenty-five years Noble Bond was engaged in instructing young men in military tactics, having been a soldier in the Civil War and thus acquiring strict military training. He was also engaged in mercantile pursuits, but since 1900 has been an employee of the United States senate. He was raised in Brattleboro Lodge No. 2, of Brattleboro, Vt., and was exalted in Fort Dummer Royal Arch Chapter. He received the cryptic degrees in Connecticut Valley Council of Royal and Select Masters, and was knighted in Beauseant Commandery No. 7, Knights Templar, which he served for seven years as captain general. Noble Bond is a past commander of Sedgwick Post No. 8, G. A. R., and is also a member of Wantastiquet Lodge No. 5, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

HENRY E. BOND

Joined Mt. Sinai in 1901, and previous to that year took his degrees in Columbian Lodge, Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter, Connecticut Valley Council of Royal and Select Masters, and Beauseant Commandery. In Odd Fellowship he is with Wautastiquit Lodge of Brattleboro, filling many offices in that body, and was representative to the Grand Lodge of the State. He is a Republican. His business is that of undertaker and embalmer, and he was one of the organizers of the Undertakers' and Embalmers' Association of Vermont. He was in early life engaged in mechanical work. Dummerton, Vt., was the place of his birth, October 7, 1841. His father was Luke Taylor Bond, and his mother was Elsie Stoddard Bond. He attended the public schools of his native town and was married, in 1864, to Maria L., daughter of Wilder and Louisa Kathern Knight, also of Dummerton. They have one child, William H., born February 19, 1872. He is a Congregationalist, and his favorite reading is biography, history, and travel. His residence is in Brattleboro, Vt.

FRANK D. KENDALL

Born in Windham, Vt., August 17, 1855, the only son of Daniel W. and Abigail Mack Kendall, born Americans, the former in Cavendish, April 3, 1818, and the latter in Windham, September 14, 1817. He was married to Miss Susie A. Hewes, April 6, 1878, and they have two children: Abbie Susie, born July 14, 1883, and Bessie Elvira, born September 24, 1888. After working three years in a meat market in Saxton's River he engaged in business in Putney in 1879. He built up a large and flourishing trade, which he held during the next twenty-six years. In 1905 he sold his business and bought the A. V. May place at No. 9 Chase Street, Brattleboro, Vt. He passes his time in gardening and poultry raising. His political affiliation is Republican, while his Masonic connections are with Golden Rule Lodge, Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter, Connecticut Valley Council, and Beauseant Commandery, K. T. In 1901 he became a Noble in Mt. Sinai Temple.

John T. Wright

Geo. A. Bond.

CHARLES H. THOMPSON

Henry E Bond

F. D. Kendall

WILLIAM EDWARD HASKELL

Of Brattleboro, Vt., is superintendent of the pipe organ department of the Estey Organ Company of that place, having been an expert organ builder ever since 1881, when he first took up the work. He is a native of Chicago, where he was born November 29, 1865, the son of Charles S. and Ruth C. Merrill Haskell. His mother is still living. He attended the public schools of Somerville, Mass., and Philadelphia, Pa. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Edward Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He was married, April 1, 1886, to Carrie Stevens Peddrick, daughter of Charles H. and Emily Stevens Peddrick of Philadelphia, and has four children: Carrie May, Elsie Gladys, William Edward, Jr., and Merrill Curtis. He is a member of the Vermont Wheel Club, and is fond of fishing and autoing.

FRED W. PUTNAM

Of Brattleboro, Vt., a native of Hinsdale, N. H., where he was born January 24, 1859, the son of Edwin and Emmeline Wright Putnam, both of American birth. His mother is living at the age of 83. She was born December 29, 1826. He was in the hardware business in California for some years, during which time he was married, in September, 1887, to Rose Osborn, daughter of William M. and Rosetta Osborn of California. They have four children: Rose Osborn, born in October, 1888; Harry Lawrence, born in July, 1890; Philip B., born in 1896, and Helen Mary, born in February, 1906. Noble Putnam is a member of Columbian Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1905. In politics he is a Democrat. At present he is engaged in the insurance business. He is a graduate of the Brattleboro High School. Fishing and automobiling are his favorite forms of recreation.

FRANCIS DE WITT NICHOLS

Of Brattleboro, Vt., was born there October 31, 1858, the son of William E. and Jane Prouty Nichols. He attended the public schools of Brattleboro, and has made a specialty of bookkeeping. For eighteen years he was with the firm of S. A. Smith Co., and since 1899 he has been connected with the firm of Dunham Brothers Co., in the capacity of bookkeeper. He is fond of gardening, and he puts in most of his spare time in that occupation. His religious affiliations are with the Episcopal Church, and he is a Republican. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge, of which he was secretary at one time; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M., and Beauseant Commandery No. 7, K. T., of which he is recorder. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1907. He also belongs to the Eastern Star, and his wife is a member of Bingham Chapter of that order. He was married, November 24, 1897, to Eloise Brown, daughter of Samuel and Mary Walker Brown of Brattleboro, and they have one child, Francis Lawrence, born July 17, 1900. Noble Nichols is a member of the Vermont Wheel Club.

FRANK H. HOWARD

Of Brattleboro, Vt., is in the livery stable business in that city, having become established in 1903. Previous to that year he kept a boarding stable in Boston, Mass. He was born in Londonderry, Vt., December 22, 1856, the son of Ezra K. Howard and Miriam P. Harris Howard. He attended the public schools of his native place. He was married, October 3, 1882, to Clara A. Stetson, daughter of E. B. and Miriam Stetson of Boston, and has one child, Miriam A., born April 29, 1891. Noble Howard belongs to Brattleboro Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also a member of the Odd Fellows and the United Workmen of Massachusetts. He is a Congregationalist, and a Republican in politics.

HAROLD E. WHITNEY

A practicing attorney of Brattleboro, Vt., was born February 29, 1884, in that town, and received his education in the public schools and at Amherst College. His parents are Edwin Davis and Julia Spring Brooks Whitney. He was admitted to the Vermont bar in 1907, and has since been engaged in active practice. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge No. 102; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter No. 12; Connecticut Valley Council No. 16, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also a member of the Chi Phi Fraternity of Amherst College, attends the Congregational Church, and is a Republican. He is not married.

HARRY R. RANDALL

Employed by the jewelry firm of Randall & Clapp of Brattleboro, Vt., lives in that town. He was born in Woodstock, Vt., May 1, 1872, the son of Ovando E. and Mary A. Royce Randall, both of whom are still living. He attended the public schools of Woodstock and Brattleboro, and February 11, 1907, was married to Frances I. Starke of Orange, Mass. He is a member of Brattleboro Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He also holds membership in the Vermont Wheel Club and Brattleboro Boat Club.

W. E. Haskell.

F. J. V. Howard

Fred W. Putnam

F. De W. Nichols

Harold E. Whitney

W. B. VINTON

A paper manufacturer of Brattleboro, Vt., where his home is. He was born in that town December 25, 1862, and attended the public schools there. His father, William Henry Vinton, is still living; but his mother, Emma Samuel Vinton, no longer survives. He was married, May 19, 1891, to Lillie E. Brown, daughter of Samuel and Mary Walker Brown of Brattleboro, and they have two children: Beatrice Emma, born February 24, 1896, and William Howard born March 31, 1900. Noble Vinton's principal recreation is automobiling. He is a member of Brattleboro Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1899; is also enrolled in Wantasquet Lodge of Odd Fellows, the Vermont Wheel Club, and the Automobile Club of Vermont. He is a past master of Brattleboro Lodge, past high priest in his chapter; has passed through the chair of his council, and past grand junior deacon of the Grand Lodge of the State. He votes the Republican ticket.

WILLIAM H. VINTON

A paper manufacturer of Brattleboro, Vt., was born in Fitchburg, Mass., November 7, 1836, the son of Timothy and Caroline Woodcock Vinton, both of whom have passed away. He attended the public schools of Brattleboro. September 5, 1860, he was married to Emma A. Samuel, daughter of Edward and Elvira Prouty Samuel of Brattleboro. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and was received in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1899. He is a member of the Vermont Wheel Club, and in his religious belief is a Universalist. He is president of Brattleboro Masonic Building Association, and has filled these offices in bodies of the fraternity: worshipful master of his subordinate lodge, high priest of the chapter, thrice illustrious master of the council in the Cryptic Rite, eminent commander in the commandery, and grand senior warden in the Grand Lodge.

JAMES A. HOADLEY

Formerly a granite manufacturer for about eighteen years, is now conducting a restaurant business in Brattleboro, where his home is. He was born in East Cabot, Vt., March 29, 1871, the son of Herman Wallace and Elmina B. Howe Hoadley, both of whom are living. He attended the public schools of Gardner, Mass., and Woodstock, Vt., and was married, October 15, 1901, to Miss Etta M. Pollard, daughter of Henry Gates and Almire Lovewell Pollard of Gardner, Mass. They have three children: Esther Almire, born January 19, 1903; Laura Elizabeth, born June 26, 1905, and Linn Pollard, born September 14, 1908. Noble Hoadley belongs to Columbian Lodge No. 36, F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter No. 12; Connecticut Valley Council No. 16, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery No. 7, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He has been worshipful master in Columbia Lodge, and is past scribe of his chapter. He votes with the Republican Party, and his favorite pastime is hunting.

JOEL FLAGG

Of Guilford, Vt., was born in Heath, Mass., September 17, 1841. His parents were Joel Flagg and Delight Wait. He attended the Guilford, Vt., public schools, and started at the age of eighteen as a farmer, continuing that occupation ever since. His farm is three miles from Brattleboro, in Guilford. He was married in Vernon, Vt., February 21, 1872, to Lizzie A. Barber, daughter of Franklin and Jane D. Barber. They have no children. He belongs to Columbus Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. His religious preference is the Universalist Church. He is a Democrat, and has been a selectman and a license commissioner for some years, also was town representative from 1906 to 1908. His favorite pastime, he says, is "smoking the pipe of peace."

GEORGE T. WILSON

Of Brattleboro, Vt., was formerly engaged in the occupation of farming, following agriculture for a period of between ten to fifteen years. Since 1906, however, he has been connected with the meat business of the W. F. Richardson Co. He was born May 10, 1868, in Canton, N. Y., the son of Thomas and Jane Duffy Wilson. He attended the public schools of Canton. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., a is in Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., but is not connected with any other fraternal organizations.

WALTER ERASTUS HUBBARD

Manager of the "Vermont Phœnix," of Brattleboro, a successful newspaper, was born in Guilford, Vt., June 6, 1867, graduated from the Brattleboro High School in 1885, and has been engaged in newspaper work continuously since that time. He was married, December 7, 1889, to Linna A. Thwing, a native of Putney, Vt., who as a singer is well known, having appeared in opera, oratorios, and concerts in many New England cities, and they have one daughter, Dorothy L. Hubbard. Noble Hubbard belongs to Columbian Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He has been three years master of his blue lodge and is now serving his third term as prelate of Beauseant Commandery. He is ardently interested in outdoor life and sports, and at different periods in his career has been active in baseball, bicycle racing, and golf playing.

Chas. B. Linton.

James A. Hoadley

W. H. Linton.

Joel Flagg

Geo. T. Wilson

CHARLES HENKEL

A designer with the Estey Organ Co. of Brattleboro, Vt., has filled that position ever since the year 1865. He is a native of Germany, and was born in Marburg, May 6, 1842, the son of Henry and Annie Paush Henkel, both Germans, who are no longer living. He studied in the public schools of New York and then entered upon his special work of wood carving and designing, in which he is an accomplished expert. He was married, January 7, 1868, to Miss Annie Lillis, daughter of James Lillis of Brattleboro. He has seven children: Carl W., born January 19, 1869; Louis Henry, born October 20, 1870; Edward John, born August 13, 1874; Paul Revere, born May 31, 1879; Walter Frank, born September 8, 1884; Annie Elizabeth, born October 21, 1872, and Lena Mabel, born February 12, 1877. Another, Harry Arthur, died July 24, 1882. Noble Henkel belongs to Columbia Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. His home is at 75 Frost Street, Brattleboro. He is fond of hunting and fishing, and frequently enjoys both. In religious matters he is a free thinker. He was at one time in the furniture business for five years with Francis Fraps in Springfield.

EDWIN C. HALL

Now with the Estey Organ Co. of Brattleboro, is a draftsman by profession, as well as a musician and an organ manufacturer. He was born in New York City, April 18, 1865, and was educated principally in the public schools of Philadelphia. His father, John E. Hall, and his mother, Catherine Watts Hall, are both living. He is a member of Meridian Sun Lodge No. 158; Oriental R. A. Chapter No. 133; Kadosh Commandery No. 29, K. T., all in the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania; Connecticut Valley R. & S. M., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. For some time he was a piano tuner at the Philadelphia house of the Estey Company, also for Behr Bros., and the house of George R. Fleming, of the same city. He has one child, Catherine E., born February 12, 1890.

WILLIS DANIEL GILSON

Of Brattleboro, Vt., was born in Barnard, Vt., September 7, 1853. He comes of Revolutionary stock, his great-grandfather, Peter Gilson of Pepperell, Mass., serving three years in the war. His great-great-grandfather on his mother's side (Dr. Martin Ashley of Walpole, N. H.) was surgeon under Colonel Bellows. Noble Gilson went to Brattleboro in April, 1874, entered the employ of the Estey Organ Co. in November, 1875, and is now foreman of the stock department. His father was Lemuel Putnam Gilson, son of Lemuel and Wealthy Putnam Gilson, and his mother was Jane A. Gilson, daughter of James and Clarisa Ashley Gilson. He was married, October 8, 1882, to Ida Joanna Wilson, daughter of Joseph and Joanna Whitcomb Wilson of Keene, N. H. They have an adopted son. Noble Gilson belongs to Brattleboro Lodge No. 102; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter No. 12; Connecticut Valley Council No. 16, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery No. 7, K. T.; Bingham Chapter No. 30, O. E. S., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a past master of his blue lodge and a life member; past commander of his commandery, has held office in the chapter, and is deputy master in the council. He is also a past grand of Wantastiquit Lodge No. 5, of Odd Fellows, and past chief patriarch of Oasis Encampment No. 5, besides being connected with Vermont Society, Sons of the American Revolution. He served seven years in the State militia, and two years on the village of Brattleboro Board of Bailiffs, and is now a member of the Brattleboro Board of Trade. In politics he is a Republican, while his chief religious belief is Universalist.

MAJOR HENRY W. HOVEY

A retired United States Army officer of Northfield, Vt., at the time of his death. He was born in Vassalboro, Maine, September 1, 1852, the son of John Gorham and Mary A. Ripley Hovey, both of Boston. His parents have passed on. He attended the public and private schools of Massachusetts, and also took up the study of law. He entered the United States Army service in 1880, advancing to the rank of major of infantry, when he was retired. He was married, February 13, 1878, in New York City, to Carrie French Tower, daughter of Isaac Tower of Boston and Mary G. Ackerman Tower, a native of Portsmouth, N. H. He had two children, who survive him. Major Hovey's record as a Mason embraced membership in Kane Lodge of New York; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J., all of Montpelier; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, in Burlington, and Vermont Consistory. Mt. Sinai Temple received him in 1902. He was also a member of the Elks, the Loyal Legion, Arctic Brotherhood of Alaska, Society of Foreign Wars, Sons of the American Revolution, the Army and Navy, and the athletic clubs of New York, as well as the Seventh Regiment, New York National Guard.

CHARLES W. DUNHAM

A wholesale shoe merchant of Brattleboro, Vt. The firm Dunham Brothers started twenty-five years ago, and comprised George L. and Charles W. In about ten years they admitted another brother, Lyndon L., and the company was conducted under the name of Dunham Brothers until January 1, 1909, when they were incorporated as Dunham Brothers Co. This concern started in the retail business and progressed so rapidly that it entered into the wholesale line, and is still in operation. It claims to sell more footwear in New England than any other jobbing house, and more rubber footwear than any other shoe jobbing house in the world. Charles W. Dunham is the president of the Connecticut River Power Co. of New Hampshire, the largest electrical development east of Niagara, and was largely instrumental in bringing this about. He was born in North Paris, Maine, July 1, 1857. His father, Samuel W., was born in 1827, and his mother, Rachel E. Andrews, in 1829, both parents still living. He was married, September 10, 1891, to Mary Alice Pratt, daughter of Daniel Stewart Pratt, and has one child, Stewart Pratt Dunham, born October 6, 1900. Noble Dunham is fond of hunting, fishing, automobiling, and boating, as well as all other outdoor sports. He belongs to Columbian Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of the Odd Fellows, having filled all the chairs in the lodge, becoming noble grand when only twenty-four years old. In politics he is a Republican, and is a member of the Vermont Wheel Club.

Charles Henkel

Edwin C. Hall.

W. D. Gibson

MAJOR HENRY W. HOVEY

C. W. Dunham

LEROY FRANKLIN ADAMS

Of Brattleboro, Vt., is enrolled in Brattleboro Masonic Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple of the Shrine. He has been in the flour and grain business since 1870. He holds membership in Vermont Wheel Club and is one of the school board of his town. In politics he is a Republican. Noble Adams was born in Marlboro, Vt., April 23, 1846, and was educated in the public schools of Marlboro and in Wilmington Academy. His parents were Lucius Franklin and Florence Winchester Adams. He was united in marriage in Brattleboro, October 23, 1872, to Miss Ella Crosby of that town, daughter of Edward and Louisa Jones Crosby. They had five children: Fred C., George E., Ruth L., Crosby, and Ella. His second wife is Helen, daughter of Sumner and Martha Emerson; they were married October 26, 1899, in Brattleboro. Of this union there is one child, Edith E. In December, 1906, Noble Adams bought out the Springfield Flour and Grain Co., Springfield, Mass., which he now carries on with his sons, George and Crosby.

HENRY R. BROWN

Of Brattleboro, was born in South Vernon, Vt., July 13, 1867, the son of Richard A. and Elmira H. Warren Brown; his father is living. He attended the public schools of Brattleboro, and was married, March 11, 1891, to Miss Annie, daughter of Calvin P. and Ann Streeter Gilson. They had one child, Ruth Annie, who was born in 1892. He has been in the livery and mercantile business since 1888, and has been chairman of the Board of Bailiffs of the town two years. His political affiliations are Republican. He delights in riding or driving, also in traveling. He is a member of Mt. Sinai Temple; Columbia Masonic Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter, and Beauseant Commandery, K. T.

FRED H. HOLDEN

A druggist in Brattleboro, Vt., and has conducted that business very successfully for himself since 1877. He is a native of Chicopee, Mass., where he was born April 26, 1858, the son of James Henry and Lovina Ballou Holden. He attended the public schools of Brattleboro, graduated from the high school in 1877. After taking a course in the Bryant & Stratton Commercial School of Boston, Mass., he entered at once into the drug business, and is now a registered pharmacist in Vermont, Massachusetts, and New York. He received a certificate from the National Institute of Pharmacy of Chicago, August 1, 1890. He was married, April 9, 1885, to Miss Harriet Wales of Brattleboro, daughter of the late Major Wales, and they have one son, Lawrence Wales, born January 8, 1892. Noble Holden belongs to Brattleboro Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T.; Order of the Eastern Star, and Mt. Sinai Temple, being a past high priest of the chapter and past commander of the commandery. He is also a member of the Odd Fellows.

WILLIAM CHAPIN HORTON

In the real estate and insurance business, Brattleboro, Vt., has been conducting these lines there ever since 1895. He is a native of Brattleboro, having been born March 29, 1851, and attended the schools of that town, taking a special business course in a commercial school. From 1871 to 1881 he was connected with the Estey Organ Company as an organ tuner, but since the latter year his time has been passed in office work and in conducting the real estate and insurance business. He was married, March 19, 1874, to Frances Belle Davis, daughter of Alexander H. and Sylvia Timson Davis of Brattleboro. His wife died August 18, 1907. He was again married, September 23, 1909, to Hattie Simonds Skinner of Boston, Mass., daughter of George A. and Cornelia M. Hilton Simonds of Brattleboro, Vt. He has one child by his first wife, Lulu Bell Horton, born April 7, 1877, who is married to Harold L. Smith of Brattleboro. He was clerk of the Board of Assessors much of the time when in session, between the years 1881 and 1895, and was elected a member of the board in 1895 and 1896, and again from 1903 to 1906 inclusive. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge No. 15; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council No. 16, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery No. 7, K. T., of which he has been treasurer for many years, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He was secretary of his lodge from 1882 to 1889, and still holds office in the commandery, as well as being a member of Wantastiquit Lodge of Odd Fellows. He is a devoted student of bird and plant life, making a specialty of both. He also taught penmanship in his younger days.

CHARLES A. BOYDEN

Present treasurer of the Brattleboro Trust Co., has occupied that position since 1907. He was formerly clerk and teller of the Vermont National Bank. He was born in Brattleboro, Vt., March 19, 1875, attended the public schools there, and was graduated from the local high in 1894. His parents were George Albert and Alice Chase Boyden. His marriage took place, October 8, 1902, to Miss Ethel, daughter of Judge E. L. and Jane Bemis Waterman, three children having been born to them,—twin sons and a daughter. Noble Boyden is Independent in politics, attends the Unitarian Church, and is a justice of the peace. His shrine is Mt. Sinai; his blue lodge is Brattleboro; while he belongs to Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter, and was knighted in Beauseant Commandery. He holds membership in Vermont Wheel Club, and favors automobiling, fishing, boating, and all outdoor sports.

HALBERT LEE WATERMAN, M.D.

Practicing physician of Brattleboro, Vt., was graduated from Tufts Medical College in 1889, and also from the University of Vermont. He started in the medical profession in 1892, and has held the post of health officer in Brattleboro. At present he is a member of the Vermont State Board of Medical Registrars. Dr. Waterman was born in Wilmington, Vt., March 4, 1868, and received his early education in Glenwood Seminary at West Brattleboro. He is the son of Elias and Jennie E. Bemis Waterman. He was married to Mary E. Smith, daughter of Francis R. and Jeanette Powers Smith of Wilmington, and they have one child, Majorie, born December 27, 1900. Noble Waterman attends the Congregational Church. He is fond of automobiling, and reads largely in scientific and medical works. He is a member of Brattleboro Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he joined in 1906. He is a Republican.

L. P. Adams

Fred H Holden

Henry R. Brown

William Chapin Horton

Charles A Boyden

FRED JOSEPH ROBINSON

Of Rochester, Vt., where he is engaged in the lumber business, built up to a highly prosperous stage, is the son of Joseph O. Robinson and Ella R. Ford Robinson, both natives of Granville, Vt., and still living. He was born in Rochester July 21, 1871, and educated in the public schools there and at Black River Academy, graduating from the academy in 1891. He is still single, and has been devoted to the pastimes of Rochester for some time. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in 1902. In addition he is a member of Rural Lodge, of which he is a past master, having also filled all the minor offices of Farmers R. A. Chapter; Farmers Council, R. & S. M., and Killington Commandery, K. T. He is likewise a past grand of Rochester Lodge of Odd Fellows, having been through all the chairs. In his reading he is especially inclined to historical works and general literature.

CLAYTON L. SARGENT

A resident of Boston, having removed there in March, 1909, to enter the meat and grocery business. He was born at Warren, Vt., February 7, 1868, the son of Richard L. and Adeline Steele Sargent. His mother and father are both dead, and Noble Sargent is unmarried. From 1896 to 1901 Noble Sargent was postmaster of Pittsfield, Vt., and afterwards engaged in the hotel business in Gloucester, Mass. He was brought to light in Masonry in Rural Lodge No. 29, at Rochester, Vt., August 11, 1892, and was exalted in Whitney R. A. Chapter No. 5, of Randolph, Vt. The cryptic degrees were received in Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M., and he was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, of Montpelier, April 21, 1905. Noble Sargent is also an Odd Fellow, being a member of Rochester Lodge No. 65 of Rochester, Vt., of which he was formerly financial secretary, vacating his office when he removed from Rochester. He has been successful in the mercantile line and seeks diversion in hunting and fishing and in the reading of historical books. He attends the Universalist Church.

EDGAR L. MARTIN

A well-known livery stable proprietor and a deputy sheriff of Rochester, Vt., was born in Granville, November 18, 1850, and attended the public schools there. His father was Lucier Kelley Martin of Rochester, and his mother was Lydia Emmeline Carlisle, a native of Plymouth, Vt. Noble Martin is a Republican and has been a constable of the town since 1905, as well as a deputy sheriff for two years. He has conducted his present livery business since 1894, while back in 1889 he was a manufacturer of clapboards. He was married to Blanch E. Abbott, daughter of Leonard and Ellen Ford Abbott of Granville, in 1889, and they have one child, Bessie Edwina, born May 16, 1891. He is a member of Rural Lodge, of which he has been junior deacon and marshal; Vermont R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered in 1906. He attends the Congregational Church, likes hunting and fishing, and is a great reader of the newspapers.

WALLACE HENRY CAMPBELL

A member of Mt. Sinai Temple, started his Masonic career in Rural Lodge No. 29, and has been its worshipful master for two years. He is a member of Whitney R. A. Chapter No. 6, and Mt. Zion Commandery. Noble Campbell is in the hardware trade, having begun his business career in 1880, as a member of the firm of Campbell & Greeley. As a Republican he was elected to the State legislature in 1892-93, and has served as justice of the peace for twenty-four years. He attended the public schools of Rochester and Springfield, Vt. He was the son of George M. Campbell and Phelette Pearson Campbell, the former of Rochester and the latter of Windsor, Vt. He was married to Eva Kennedy of Granville, Vt., for his first wife, and she died April 15, 1905. He was married again to Miss Lizzie H. Huntington, October 6, 1907. His children by his first wife are: Lena May, born December 12, 1884; Helen Phelette, July 18, 1887; Catherine Campbell, February 14, 1891; Jessie Randal, December 27, 1892; Dorothy Brown, July 26, 1898. He is a Universalist in faith, and enjoys reading historical and political works. He is a resident of Rochester, and is also a director of its White River Railroad.

WALTER R. BARRY

Holds membership in Mt. Sinai Temple, Rural Lodge No. 29, Whitney R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, and all Scottish Rite bodies, including George Washington Lodge of Perfection, 14°; Ed. Roby Council, P. of J., 16°; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He is a supporter of the Republican Party, while his religious faith is Universalist. He was born in Charlestown, Mass., May 11, 1872, and attended school in Granville, Vt. He is the son of George and Sarah Aldrich Barry, and both are living. He was married in Granville, August 1, 1894, to Bertha E. Alix, daughter of Celestin Alix of Paris, France, and Edna M. Church Alix of Hancock, Vt. His favorite sports are hunting and baseball, and his choice of reading is magazines and general literature. He started in the confectionery trade in 1909, but prior to that was in the meat business, and from 1903 to 1909 was a conductor on the White River Railroad. He resides in Rochester, Vt.

WILLIAM H. HEYWOOD

Of West Brattleboro, Vt., has been connected with C. H. Eddy & Co., manufacturers of flavoring extracts, for several years. He was born in Guildhall, Vt., February 25, 1865. His father, Henry Heywood, has passed away, but his mother, whose maiden name was Catherine R. Hubbard, is still living. He went to the public schools of Lancaster and boarding schools at Plymouth, N. H. His first employment was with the C. & C. Electrical Co. of Boston, with which he remained for five years. He was later interested in the manufacture of leather dressing in Boston for two years, with the Smith Premier Typewriter Co. for three years, and Brattleboro Overall Co. a like period. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He has been captain of the host, also scribe and high priest in the chapter, as well as sword-bearer and junior and senior warden in the commandery. He is also a member of the Grange. He was married in Boston, September 4, 1892, to Janette M. Sylvester, daughter of Arthur E. and Julia Evers Sylvester, and has three children: William Henry, born March 26, 1903; Edward Lester, born September 27, 1904, and Francis Herman, born April 8, 1907. He is fond of all outdoor sports and is an enthusiastic fisherman.

L. J. Robinson

E. L. Martin

Clayton L. Sargent

W. H. Campbell

Walter R. Barry

WEBSTER C. MITCHELL

Of Brattleboro, Vt., has been engaged for many years in the woolen manufacturing industry. He was for some time overseer of the carding and spinning room of the Saxton River Woolen Mill, Saxton's River, Vt., and also superintendent of the manufacturing. At present he is connected with the Hooker, Coover, Mitchell Co., manufacturers of overalls. He was born in Greenfield, Mass., September 16, 1846, and attended the public schools of Winchester, N. H. His parents, Miles and Martha D. Wooley Mitchell, both of American birth, are no longer living. He was married, March 28, 1869, to Eliza Ann French, daughter of Charles and Sally Ann French of Woodstock, Vt., and their two children are Robert W., born June 21, 1883, and Dora Beatrice, born May 14, 1872. Noble Mitchell's favorite form of recreation is riding and driving. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the temple in 1906. He votes with the Republican Party.

JOSEPH A. TAYLOR

A retired business man of Brattleboro, Vt., was engaged in the livery and grocery lines there many years. He is a native of Guilford, Vt., where he was born March 4, 1834, the son of Joseph G. and Belinda Weathersford Taylor, both of American nativity, but no longer living. He was married, November 3, 1857, to Harriet S. Barrett, daughter of Ora and Anna Adams Barrett of Hinsdale, N. H. Noble Taylor belongs to Columbian Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, P. of J.; also to a K. T. commandery, and joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1899. Mrs. Taylor is a charter member of Bingham Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, and has filled all the elective offices in the Order. She has been grand lecturer in the grand chapter of Vermont, also associate grand matron and grand matron. Noble Taylor votes the Republican ticket, and is fond of traveling and fishing.

CHESTER EARL PIERCE

A member of the lumber firm of Pierce, Robinson & Co., of Rochester, Vt., was born in that town December 12, 1880. He received his early education in the public schools of his native place and later entered Tufts College, Medford, Mass., where he was a student for three years. Both his father and mother are living. They are Edward L. and Julia Ashley Pierce. He was married, October 10, 1906, to Abbie Hubbard, daughter of Sadine and Abbie Church Hubbard of Granville, Vt. They have one child, Phyllis Hubbard, born September 30, 1907. Noble Pierce belongs to the Universalist Church and is a Republican in his political affiliations. He is a member of Rural Lodge; Whitney R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and since 1905 of Mt. Sinai Temple. He holds membership, too, in Theta Delta Chi College Fraternity. For one year, from 1907 to 1908, he was connected with the lumber firm of F. A. Kezar & Co.

ALFRED W. GOVE

Born in Boston March 11, 1856, has been a resident of Rochester, Vt. for many years, attending the public schools there. For many years he was a successful farmer, but since 1902 he has been connected with the hardware firm of Campbell & Greeley of Rochester. His father, Harry Gove of Warren, N. H., is no longer living, but his mother, Martha Amy Gove of Granby, Vt., still survives. He was married, June 16, 1901, to Enola Almy Hubbard, the daughter of William and Harriet Martin Hubbard of Rochester, Vt., but has no children. He belongs to Rural Lodge: Farmers R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered in 1908. He attends the Universalist Church. His reading embraces historical works, fiction, and general literature, while he is fond of hunting and fishing, as well as of all outdoor sports.

FREDERICK WEBSTER PIERCE

Resides at 82 Summer Street, Fitchburg, Mass. He was born at Londonderry, Vt., October 18, 1850, took all his Masonic degrees while a resident of Vermont, and is a member of Charles W. Moore Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Fitchburg. He is a dimitted Companion of Skitchewaug Charter, Royal Arch Masons, of Springfield, Vt., and a dimitted Knight of Holy Cross Commandery, Knights Templar, of Bellows Falls, Vt. He still, however, retains his membership in the Scottish Rite, being a member of Vermont Consistory of Burlington. He has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple for many years.

WILLARD J. TUTTLE

Of Charlestown, N. H., is a native of Walpole, N. H., where he was born May 18, 1853. He attended the public schools of his native town. His father, John L. Tuttle, a native of Alstead, N. H., is still living; his mother's maiden name was Harriet A. Nevers. He was married in Charlestown, June 25, 1879, to Elizabeth Sparrow of Huntington, province of Quebec, daughter of Jonathan Sparrow, a native of Kilkenny, Ireland, and Mary McNailand Sparrow, who was born in Derry, Ireland. He and his wife are members of the Episcopal Church where Noble Tuttle fills the position of sexton. In political matters he acts with the Democratic Party. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple October 29, 1903, having for some time prior to that date been a member of St. Paul Lodge of Alstead; Webb R. A. Chapter, and Sullivan Commandery, K. T.

A. C. BRYANT

Of Cochituate, Mass., was born in that town March 5, 1868, and attended the public schools of his native place as well as Bryant & Stratton Commercial College, Boston. His mother, Caroline E. Dudley Bryant, is now living; his father, Alfred H. Bryant, has passed on. As a boy he began his working life with G. M. Coburn & Co., of Boston. Then he traveled for the Pillsbury Shoe Company of Derry, N. H., for five years. During the past two years he has been a traveling salesman in New York State for A. G. Walton & Co., of Boston. He is unmarried. He belongs to Meridian Lodge; Parker R. A. Chapter, and Natick Commandery, K. T., all of Natick, Mass., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple July 2, 1908. He is also a member of Milford, Mass., lodge of Elks; Iowa State Traveling Men's Association, the C. T. M. A. of Utica, N. Y., New York Shoe Retailers' Association, and for three years was a trustee of the Public Library of Wayland, Mass. He is a Republican, and a member of Unity Church of Natick.

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14. ARTHUR O. WHITE
15. FRANK B. LANG
16. MARTIN D. WHITMAN

JOEL B. WOODHULL

A physician of North Bennington, Vt., he was born in Rocky Point, town of Brockhaven, N. Y., June 10, 1854, the son of Rev. John A. Woodhull, a native of Brookhaven, and Joanna B. Woodhull, of Rocky Point, N. Y. Noble Woodhull has been married three times. His present wife, to whom he was married in Bennington, was before marriage Eliza M. Remington, daughter of Alonzo Remington, of Bennington. His children are: J. R., Abbie F., Harry H., and Leola E. Dr. Woodhull is a member of Tucker Lodge; Temple R. A. Chapter; Bennington Council; Taft Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a graduate of the medical department of the University of New York, having received his degree of M. D. in 1884.

RAYMOND U. SMITH

A member of the law firm of Smith & Smith of Woodsville, N. H., where he lives and has been engaged in the practice of the law for some time. He was born in Wells River, Vt., September 11, 1875, the son of Edgar W. and Emma M. Gates Smith, both of whom are living. His father was born July 3, 1845, and his mother January 11, 1849. Noble Smith is a member of Pulaski Lodge; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter; Omega Council, R. & S. M.; St. Gerald Commandery, K. T., having dimitted from Palestine Commandery, and in 1900 entered Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is likewise a member of Mossehillock Lodge of Odd Fellows of Woodsville.

DANIEL GRAY

A merchant of Charlestown, N. H., is a native of Central Falls, R. I., and was born August 6, 1866, the son of Daniel Gray, of Linwood, Scotland, and Jane Bigbee Gray, a native of Kilmarnock, Scotland. His mother alone survives. He attended the public schools of Central Falls, and was married in that town, July 12, 1892, to Ida M. Cooley of Charlestown, N. H., daughter of Edward and Mary Cummings Cooley. He and his wife are members of the Unitarian Church. Noble Gray is a past master of Faithful Lodge of Charlestown, N. H., also a member of Webb R. A. Chapter; Sullivan Commandery, K. T., of Claremont, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is enrolled in the Knights of Pythias. In politics he acts with the Republican Party.

W. L. JACOBS

Was born in Middlesex, Vt., October 3, 1873. He is the son of Henry and Lucinda Jacobs. He graduated from Montpelier Seminary in 1894, and purchased the "Orleans County Monitor," published at Barton, Vt., of which he was the editor and publisher until 1904. He moved to South Pasadena, California and engaged in the real estate business in Los Angeles, in which profession he is now engaged. In politics he is a Republican. He is a member of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, the City Club and Municipal League of the same city. He was married in 1894 to Mary A. Blake, daughter of Colonel George H. Blake, of Barton, Vt. They have three children Frances, aged 14; Helen aged 9; George, aged 6. Noble Jacobs is a member of Orleans Lodge No. 55, and Keystone Chapter, Barton, Vt.; also Orleans Council No. 19, R. & S. M., and Malta Commandery No. 10, K. T., of Newport, Vt.; the Vermont Consistory in Burlington, Vt., and Mt. Sinai Temple, Montpelier. His address is South Pasadena, California.

ARTHUR O. WHITE

Is connected with the United States Indian school in Genoa, Nebraska, where his home is at present, was born in Barton, Vt., September 8, 1880, the son of Orra A. White, of Greensboro, Vt., November 18, 1839, and Emilie B. King White, a native of Glover, Vt., born July 3, 1841. His father alone survives. He was educated in Barton Academy and Montpelier Seminary, taking a special course in steam and electrical engineering. From September 1, 1903, to December 8, 1907, he was connected with the United States postoffice department, and left that to enter the Indian service on the latter date. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, December 8, 1904. Before that he had become connected with Orleans Lodge No. 55; Keystone R. A. Chapter No. 16, and Malta Commandery No. 10, K. T. He also belongs to the National Association of Stationary Engineers and the Independent Order of Foresters. He was married in Barton, Vt., Oct. 16, 1901, to Lena Mae McFarlane of that town, daughter of Walter McFarlane, born in Edinburg, Scotland, February 1, 1844, and Jane C. Gillis, who was born in Greensboro, Vt., October 13, 1846. They have two children: Ralph C., born September 7, 1904, and Lynn A., born June 7, 1906. Noble White attends the Methodist church, is a Republican, likes hunting, fishing and tennis, and is a great reader of mechanical papers and historical novels.

HORACE C. CARBEE

A resident of Woodsville N. H., he was born in Bath, N. H., September 25, 1839, and attended the academy at McIndoe's, Vt. His parents were William P., and Euseba Smith Carbee, the former of Newbury, Vt., and the latter of Bath, N. H. His marriage took place February 27, 1866, in Norwich, Vt., to Marcia M., daughter of Stillman R., and Nancy M. Fanning White. They had three children: Mabel, Lewis, and George H., the last two named have been called to the higher home. He joined the Masonic Lodge in St. Johnsbury, Vt., forty-five years ago, and was dimitted to the lodge in Lisbon. He became a member of the R. A. Chapter and the Council of R. & S. M., and then identified himself with the commandery in Littleton, N. H. His Scottish Rite degrees were attained in the four bodies at Nashua, his consistory being Vermont. He took membership in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1900. He likewise became enrolled with the Eastern Star, Odd Fellows, Rebekahs, the Order of Carmen, and Colonel Preston Post, G. A. R. In politics he was a Republican. December 13, 1907, the black camel halted in front of his tent after an operation for appendicitis, which ended in acute Bright's disease.

CHARLES P. JENNESS

Born in Sheffield, Vt., April 27, 1849. His father was George W. and his mother's maiden name was Delanah French. He attended the public schools and graduated from the Orleans Institute. He is a Democrat by political affiliation and was postmaster under the Cleveland administration. His present business is that of house furnishings. He was married to Miss Viola Hanscom, daughter of Aaron and Lydia Hanscom of Sheffield, Vt., March 7, 1876. He takes a lively interest in all outdoor life. Masonically he is affiliated with all the bodies, including the 32 degrees, Orleans Masonic Lodge; Keystone R. A. Chapter; Newport Council, R. & S. M.; Newport Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; Newport Council, P. of J., and Vermont Consistory. He was made a Shriner, May 24, 1894.

EARLE ROY JENNESS

Born in Barton, Vt., July 28, 1878, he passed away at Glenwood Springs, Col., July 30, 1908, at the age of thirty years and two days. Mr. Jenness was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Jenness of Barton, Vt., and passed the greater part of his life there, where he was prominent in social circles and in athletics. Throughout his school and college life he gained no little distinction along these lines. He was a graduate of Barton Academy, attended St. Johnsbury Academy a year, graduated from Dean Academy, attended Tufts College one year and completed his education with one year's attendance at the Boston University Law school. On Christmas day 1905, he was married to Miss Maude Blanche Hatch of Concord, N. H. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in 1906, and had previously connected himself with Orleans Lodge, Keystone R. A. Chapter and Newport Commandery, K. T. He was also a member of Zata Psi Fraternity.

MARTIN D. WHITMAN

A retired builder of Putney, Vt., he was born in Lindonderry, Vt., about seventy-five years ago. His father was Daniel Whitman, born in 1804, and his mother, Esther Haskins, born in 1803. He was educated in Black River Academy, from which he graduated in 1854. In 1859 he married Marundo E. Chase, by whom he had one son, E. Frank Whitman, born September 19, 1862. Noble Whitman was brought to light in Masonry in Mt. Lebanon Lodge, No. 47, in Putney and is one of its oldest members. He was exalted in Brattleboro Chapter of Royal Arch Masons and took the Cryptic degrees in Brattleboro Council of Royal and Select Masters. He was made a Knight Templar in Beauseant Commandery, No. 7, of Brattleboro. Noble Whitman is also a member of Windsor Lodge of Perfection of the Scottish Rite. He has been a Republican all his life, and is a member of the Universalist Church. Many houses and halls in and around Putney are the work of Noble Whitman, who is warmly welcomed by the members of Mt. Sinai whenever he is able to be present to enjoy the ceremonial sessions.

1 WILLIAM WALKER RUSSELL
2 HENRY C. CUSHING
3 GEORGE ELWOOD MANN
4 WILLIAM BARCLAY

5 RAY E. MARTIN
6 GEORGE W. COYLE
7 HENRY GREEN
8 HENRY D. SPARROW

9 WILLIAM FIELD JONES
10 JOHN CARLOS NUTTING
11 GEORGE W. MARBLE
12 HERBERT GEORGE EVERLETH

13 JAMES B. LORD
14 LEONARD A. BROWN
15 FRANK AUSTIN DeWITT
16 ALEXANDER ANDERSON

FRANK O. BLOUNT

Of Goffstown, N. H., was received into the nobility of Mt. Sinai Temple April 21, 1899. He was born in Broom county, province of Quebec, Canada, July 9, 1851, the son of Orpheus Blount and Mary Elizabeth Rodgers. He was twice married, his first wife having been Mary A. Boylen, daughter of Dennis H. Boylen and Amanda Call, both of Magog, Quebec. Three children were born of this union: Frederick A., June 12, 1879; Helen L., January 9, 1876, and Winnie B., June 11, 1881. His second wife was Alice M. Bullard whom he married at Manchester, N. H. Noble Blount became a citizen of the United States, settling in Newport, Vt., and from 1885 to 1903 was cashier of the Boston & Maine Railway. In June of the latter year he became station agent of the same railway at Shirley, N. H., which position he still retains. He was raised in Lake Magog Lodge of Magog in 1873, and received the capitular degrees in Cleveland Chapter, No. 20, Royal Arch Masons, Newport, Vt. He was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Malta Commandery No. 10. He is also a member of the Independent Order of Foresters and a Patron of Husbandry. In politics he is a Republican. His favorite sport is football. He is a member of the Congregational Church.

FRANK B. LONG

Of Barton, Vt., is a farmer and horse trainer, especially noted as having driven Ecstatic in 2.01 3-4 to a world's record. He has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since May 2, 1907. Noble Long was born June 29, 1862, at Charleston, Vt., the son of Alexander C. Long, of Bethlehem, N. H., and Angelica Handy Long. He married at Croftsbury, Vt., November 23, 1887, Lillian C. White, of Greensboro, Vt., daughter of Royal White, of Croftsburg, Vt., and Mary R. Patterson, of Paisley, Scotland. Three children have blessed this union: Mildred A., September 24, 1888; Glendolin M., September 10, 1890, and Clarence A., February 8, 1900. Mr. Long is a member of the Universalist Church, but Mrs. Long is a Congregationalist. Noble Long was brought to light in Masonry in Orleans Lodge No. 55, at Barton, Vt., and was exalted in Keystone Chapter No. 16, Royal Arch Masons, of Barton. He received the order of knighthood in Malta Commandery No. 10, Knights Templar at Newport, Vt. He is a Past Councellor of Crystal Lake Camp No. 11068, Modern Woodmen of America, and is a director of the Professional Drivers' Beneficial Association of America. He is also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, belonging to Orient Chapter, No. 13.

WILLIAM C. RAYMOND

Of Bridgewater, Vt., has filled a number of public offices in that town, including those of postmaster, town clerk, town treasurer, census enumerator in 1880, 1890, and 1900; representative from the town in the Vermont Legislature, and for the past forty years has been a justice of the peace. He has in the meantime been engaged in business as a merchant. He was born in Bridgewater, November 9, 1844, attended the public schools there and Green Mountain Academy, South Woodstock, Vt. January 1, 1866 he was married to Lucia A. Merrill of Bridgewater, daughter of Sanford Merrill, a native of Amherst, N. H., and Susan A. Goff, who was born in Lebanon, N. H. They have one child, Edward Dana Raymond, born June 8, 1868. His parents were Charles S. Raymond, a native of Bridgewater, and Charlotte M. Dana Raymond, a native of Woodstock, Vt. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in June 1887, and likewise belongs to Woodstock Lodge; Ottaquechee R. A. Chapter; Vermont Commandery No. 4, K. T., Windsor, Vt., and Vermont Consistory. He is also a member of the Meccaw Fish and Game Club, for he is fond of fishing. He is a Republican, belongs to the Congregational church, and his favorite author is Sir Walter Scott.

LEONARD ORMOND BOYCE

Resides at 122 Court Street, Keene, N. H.; he was born June 14, 1856, at Hinsdale, N. H. His father was James Boyce, born in Richmond, N. H., and his mother was Nancy Adams Todd, born in Hinsdale, N. H. She is still living at the age of eighty-five years. Educated in the Keene High School and Comers Commercial College, Noble Boyce was for four years bookkeeper for the hardware firm of Knowlton & Stone, of Keene, but in 1886 entered the Railway Mail Service in which he continues. He married at Keene, December 15, 1880, Ella Emeline Howe, daughter of Albert Nehemiah Howe and Emeline Elmira Melendy, of Londonderry, Vt., and two children were born to them: James Albert, June 3, 1882, and Florence Ella, May 19, 1887. The former married Florence Josephine Sutton, of Keene, October 6, 1909, and the latter married Donald Gregg Case, of Cortland, N. Y., January 5, 1910. Noble Boyce is a Past Master of Social Friends Lodge No. 42, A. F. & A. M.; Past High Priest of Cheshire Royal Arch Chapter No. 4, and a member of St. John's Council, Royal and Select Masters, and Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 7, Knights Templar. He is also a member of the Scottish Rite, his membership being in Keene Council of Princes of Jerusalem, St. George Chapter of Rose Croix and New Hampshire Consistory. He is a member of the Wentworth Club.

WILLIAM WALKER RUSSELL

Of Barre, Vt., has been connected with the Leland Company in the cutting of granite for the past five years. He is a native of Aberdeen, Scotland, where he was born March 1, 1874, coming to Quincy, Mass., in 1887. His father, Alexander Russell, and his mother, Rachel Walker Russell were both of Scottish birth. He went to school in Aberdeen and in Quincy, Mass., and was married in Barre, Vt. to Ida M. Cluness in 1905, one child being born to them: Howard C. Russell. Noble Russell belongs to Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the temple December 13, 1907. He is likewise a member of the order of the Scottish Clans and of the Red Men, being great keeper of wampum in the latter order. Golf and baseball are his favorite pastimes, and he is a member of the Golf Club of Barre. In his religious belief he is a Presbyterian, while in political matters he classes himself as Independent.

GEORGE ELWOOD MANN

Secretary of the A. G. Dewey Company, manufacturers of woolens, of Quechee, Vt., where he also has his home, was born in Randolph, Vt., May 10, 1872. He was educated in Dartmouth College, graduating from there with the degree of A. B. in 1894. He was married to Annie Metcalf Dewey, daughter of John J. Dewey of Quechee, June 1, 1898. They have three children: William Dewey, born June 16, 1899; Elizabeth, born September 6, 1907, and Richard Dewey, born May 24, 1903. Noble Mann is a devotee of tennis. He votes the Republican ticket. He is a member of United Brethren Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Vermont Commandery, K. T. and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered in 1906. He holds membership in Zeta Chapter, Psi Upsilon College fraternity, and also in the Lake Mansfield Club.

FRED C. FISHER

Of Barre, Vt., was born in Cabot, Vt., September 13, 1861. His parents were Charles M. and Elizabeth Hale Fisher. He received his education in Barre Academy, and then entered mercantile life, in which he has been engaged since 1884. For twenty years he has been connected with the firm of Clark & Co. He was married to Miss Evelyn Clark, and they have two children: Max C., born September 8, 1887, and Harry C., born September 2, 1889. He belongs to Granite Lodge, F. & A. M.; Granite R. A. Chapter; King Solomon Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also in the Vincitia Club of Barre. In politics he is a Republican. He is a member of the Congregational Church. Hunting and fishing are his favorite sports.

CHARLES HENRY GREEN

Son of William A. and Sally Dewey Green of Waterford, Vt., was born in Littleton, N. H., February 10, 1845, and attended the public schools of Cushing, Vt. From 1874 up to the present time he has been conducting an undertaking and embalming business in Newport, Vt. He is a popular member of the well known Fat Men's Club of that town and also of the Young Men's Yacht club. He belongs to Memphremagog Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery K. T.; Vermont Lodge of Perfection; Vermont Council P. of J., Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in 1906. Noble Green was married, March 15, 1866, to Celestina H. Cole, the daughter of Charles and Anna Metcalf Cole of Albany, Vt., and he has two children: W. H., who was born April 5, 1877, and Anna B., born June 19, 1869. He is a member of the Congregational Church, votes the Republican ticket, is fond of hunting, and is a great newspaper reader.

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11 T. S. UNDERWOOD
12 WALTER DURANT BERRY

13 HENRY RUMFORD THOMPSON
14 CHARLES A. GATES
15 CARROLL A. MOORE
16 JAMES F. MACLENNAN

HENRY C. CUSHING

Of Woodstock, Vt., was born in Quechee, Vt., November 5, 1868, and graduated from the K. U. Academy in Meriden, N. H., in 1887. His father was Daniel L. Cushing. He was married to Daisy A. Damon, daughter of William L. and Sophia Buckman Damon of Woodstock, April 30, 1894. They have one child, Ruth Damon Cushing. Noble Cushing is teller in the Woodstock National Bank. He belongs to Woodstock Lodge, Windsor Commandery, K. T. and Mt. Sinai Temple. In politics he is a Republican, and in his church affiliations he is a Congregationalist. He is a member of the Country Club of Woodstock, and his recreation is driving and automobiling.

RAY E. MARTIN

A successful farmer of Rochester, Vt., having been engaged in agriculture for both his father and himself from 1892 up to the present time. He was born in Richford, Vt., the son of Oscar and Susan Hubbard Martin, both of that town. Noble Martin, whose birthday fell on October 14, 1875, attended the public schools of Richford. He is a great lover of all outdoor sports, and particularly delights in hunting and fishing. His reading embraces general literature and the newspapers. He is a member of Rural Lodge; Whitney R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1905. He also is affiliated with the Modern Woodmen of America. He votes with the Republican Party.

GEORGE W. COYLE

Foreman of the repair department of the paper and pulp mill at Ticonderoga, N. Y., a position that he has filled since May, 1909. Previous to that he was foreman of the repair department of the paper and pulp mill at Wilder, Vt., a position that he held from May, 1904 to May, 1909. He had been foreman of a machine shop beginning in 1898. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., April 20, 1907. Previously he became affiliated with a Masonic lodge in February, 1899, a Royal Arch Chapter in November, 1903, a council of Royal and Select Masters in December, 1906, a commandery of Knights Templar in December of the same year, and a Lodge of Perfection in June, 1904.

HENRY D. SPARROW

Manager for the firm of George B. Allbee, engaged in the heating and plumbing business, having been connected with that firm and its predecessors since October, 1894. Previous to that time he was engaged in various occupations, having first been connected with his father in the harness industry at Springfield, Vt., at an early age. Afterwards he followed the hotel business for several years, being connected with many of the best "resort houses" in the country. He was born in Charlestown, N. H., March 28, 1866, the son of William and Jane Ford Sparrow, his father alone surviving. He was educated in the public schools of Springfield, Vt., and also studied under private tutoring, fitting for college, but giving up his higher education to engage in business. June 1, 1899, he was married to Lura A. Perry, daughter of Amasa R. and Mary A. Fay Perry, both of Windham, Vt. They have one daughter, Dorothy Perry Sparrow, born February 25, 1901. They reside at 14 Hadley Street, Bellows Falls. Noble Sparrow is a member of St. John's Lodge No. 41, of Springfield, Vt.; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter No. 19; Bellows Falls Council No. 17, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery No. 12, K. T.; Masonic Veterans' Association of Vermont, and also of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he joined April 18, 1904. He is an Independent in political matters, is fond of baseball and all outdoor sports and is a great reader, especially along the lines of irrigation, forestration and large works of improvement. He is one of the prime movers in the securing of a Masonic building in Bellows Falls, and is a member of the building committee of the new Masonic Temple for the use of the associated Masonic bodies in Bellows Falls.

WILLIAM FIELD JONES

Was made a Shriner in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1881. He is affiliated with Woodstock Lodge No. 31, Ottaquechee R. A. Chapter, No. 21, Vermont Commandery, No. 4, K. T. and Windsor Lodge of Perfection. He belongs to the Lakota Club of Woodstock, Vt., where he resides. He has been manager of the dry goods business of J. B. Jones since 1884. He was born in Woodstock, April 23, 1862, and attended the public schools of that town and at Rock Point, Burlington, Vt. His father, was born in Windsor, Vt.; his mother, whose maiden name was Lucy Whitney, a native of Brattleboro, is living. He was married to Miss Lena Newhall, of Portland, Me., November 14, 1894, in that city. There are two children: James Newhall, born October 17, 1897, and Eleanor Whitney, born in December, 1901. Noble Jones and his wife are Episcopalians, He likes hunting, fishing and autoing as pastimes and his choice for reading is general literature.

JOHN CARLOS NUTTING

Engaged in the furniture and undertaking business in Woodstock, Vt., where his home has been for many years, was born in South Reading, Vt., July 24, 1844. He went to the public schools of Woodstock, graduating from the high school of that town in 1861, after taking the full course. His parents, natives of Reading, Vt., were John W. and Elvira S. Moore Nutting. He was married August 5, 1866, to Emily Hewitt, daughter of Harvey Hewitt of Pomfret, Vt., and Eliza Jane McTire Hewitt, of Lancaster, N. H. Noble Nutting is a member of Woodstock Lodge, Ottaquechee, R. A. Chapter; Windsor Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. In addition he belongs to Woodstock Chapter, O. E. S., Quechee River Lodge of Odd Fellows and Kedron Lodge, K. of R. He has had four children: Elmer, born in 1868, Warren C., in 1870, Ervin M., in 1876 and Ethel E. in 1884. Ervin and Ethel only are living. He and his wife are members of the Universalist Church.

GEORGE W. MARBLE

Comes of good old Massachusetts stock and was born June 4, 1851, in Woodstock, Vt., where he still resides. His father was Liberty B. Marble, a native of Charlton, Mass., and his mother was born Elizabeth W. Woodward at Millbury, Mass., the former in 1819 and the latter in 1828. His mother still lives in Woodstock. He was educated in the Woodstock schools and afterwards entered into business there. For a time he was a partner in the flour, feed, grain, lumber, wood and coal business with his father, and in which he still continues for himself. Noble Marble married Clara L. Morse at Woodstock, November 21, 1877, and is the father of two daughters: Helen Wilson, born December 18, 1878, and Edith Bates, born June 8, 1882. He is a past master of Woodstock Lodge, A. F. and A. M., and Past High Priest of Ottaquechee Chapter, R. A. M. He is also a member of Windsor Council; Royal and Select Masters, and of Vermont Commandery No. 4, Knights Templar. Noble Marble also belongs to Windsor Lodge of Perfection, of the Scottish Rite. He is a charter member of Woodstock Chapter No. 46, Order of the Eastern Star, of which he is Past Patron. He is also a member of the New England Fat Men's Club.

HERBERT GEORGE EVERLETH

Of Putney, Vt., was born in Dummerston, Vt., April 5, 1855, the son of George L. and Ann T. Tenney Everleth. The former was of Amherst, Mass., the latter of Dummerston. He attended the Dummerston public schools. He was married to Miss Kittie G. Little, daughter of Hazen and Mary Clark Little of Montpelier, in 1885. They have one child, Henry Herbert Little Everleth, born in December, 1886. He has been in business for himself since 1885 as a barber and hair dresser. He belongs to Golden Rule Lodge of Putney, Vt., of which he has been treasurer since 1890; Brattleboro R. A. Chapter, Brattleboro Council, R. & S. M., Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. His favorite sports are hunting, fishing and boating and he devotes his reading to general literature. He is a Republican, was first constable of Putney from 1895 to 1900 and elected town representative for Putney in the State Legislature 1908 to 1909.

MIAL D. WARREN

A physician and surgeon of Cabot, Vt., was born in Denmark, Maine, May 20, 1852, the son of Caleb and Elizabeth Chadbourne Warren, the latter of Fryeburg. He received his education in the University of Vermont, graduating from that institution in 1879. He was married, October 6, 1880, in Fair Haven, Vt., to Orcenia B. Foss, daughter of Ephraim and Delia D. Foss, but is now a widower, his wife leaving one child, Agnes M., born July 6, 1887. Dr. Warren was elected a representative to the Vermont Legislature from the town of Cabot in 1900, on the Republican ticket. He belong to Green Mountain Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.

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1 HENRY M. CHENEY
2 GEORGE F. CHENEY
3 ELMORE E. EVANS
4 BERT W. LIVINGSTON

5 H. ARTHUR BOWERS
6 EUGENE A. PRINDLE
7 EDWARD GEORGE SPRAGUE
8 A. C. FELLOWS

9 JOHN GORDON McLEOD
10 ELBERT A. BUGBEE
11 DONALD A. BLAKE
12 F. W. PAGE

13 LAWRENCE K. FORD
14 NATHANIEL BOND
15 B. W. BRALEY
16 GILSON J. LOVELAND

JAMES B. LORD

Of Malden, Mass., who is affiliated with Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., is also a member of York Lodge No. 22, and Murray R. A. Chapter No. 33, of Kennebunk, Maine; Melrose Council, R. & S. M., and Beauseant Commandery, K. T., of Malden, Mass.; Lafayette Lodge of Perfection, Giles F. Yates Council, P. of J., and Mt. Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix, of Boston, as well as of the Massachusetts Consistory, 32°.

LEONARD A. BROWN

Of Wilmington, Vt., is the junior member of the firm of Johnson & Brown, lumber dealers of that town. He was born in Whitingham, Vt., the son of Marvin M. and Almeda L. Fowler Brown, both of whom are living. He attended the public schools and Eastman's Business College, graduating from the latter in 1896. He is a Democrat, and as such represented Wilmington in the Legislature in the years 1904 and 1908. Previous to his present business connections he was with the Deerfield River Company, of Wilmington, from 1902 to 1909. February 1, 1899, he was married in Jacksonville, Vt., to Etta Edith Waste, daughter of Charles H. and Eleanor Celestia Bliss Waste, and they have one child, Eleanor Celestia, born July 19, 1904. Both he and his wife are members of the Universalist Church. Noble Brown belongs to Social Lodge of Wilmington, Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter, and Beauseant Commandery, K. T., of Brattleboro, and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered in December 1906. He is also a member of Ridgley Lodge of Odd Fellows of Jacksonville, Vt. Fishing and hunting are his favorite diversions.

FRANK AUSTIN DeWITT

Treasurer of the Windham County Savings Bank at Newfane, Vt., where he resides, is a native of Elyria, Ohio, where he was born February 9, 1864. His father, Rollin C. DeWitt was also a native of Elyria, born October 10, 1828, while his mother, Charlotte Birchard DeWitt, was born in Newfane, September 23, 1828. He attended the public schools of Elyria and the Eastman Business College of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., graduating from the latter institution February 9, 1883, and removing to Newfane. He was married in Chester, Vt., August 24, 1898, to Lena Ware of Hillsboro, Ill., daughter of Lucius Ware of Townshend Vt., and Adeline Mack Ware, a native of Gilson, N. H. They have three children: Deweese W., born July 13, 1899; Ralph B., born June 8, 1901, and Frank A. DeWitt, Jr., born April 30, 1907. He is a past master of Blazing Star Lodge of Townshend, Vt.; member of Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, June 26, 1907. He is past master of Newfane Grange, a member of Newfane Lodge of Odd Fellows, the Fayettville Dramatic Club and the Fayetteville Club of Newfane. As a Republican he was elected town treasurer in 1899. From 1884 to 1897 he was assistant treasurer of the Windham County Savings Bank, and since the latter year has filled the position of treasurer of the same institution. Baseball and lawn tennis are his favorite sports, and he is fond of reading the better class of fiction.

C. CLINTON ABBOTT

Of Underhill, Vt., has been agent of the American Express Company, and Central Vermont Railroad Cimpany, since 1879. He has been treasurer of the Underhill graded school for five years. He attends the Universalist Church. Noble Abbott was born in Hancock, Vt., July 19, 1860. Carlos C. and Charlotte Woodbury Abbott were his parents, both living. His father was born December 18, 1836, and his mother, August 15, 1840. He attended the Underhill graded school and Essex Classical Institute, graduating from the latter in 1877. He belongs to McDonough Lodge, F. & A. M.; Burlington Chapter, R. A. M., and Burlington Commandery, K. T. Camping on Lake Champlain is his favorite diversion.

GEORGE L. MORSE

Of Milton, Vt., was born April 23, 1866, in Hyde Park, Vt., the son of Charles C. and Celia Leighton Morse, also natives of Hyde Park, who are still living. He attended the public schools, and later entered the mercantile line and for twenty-two years was a successful merchant, abandoning that in 1907, to engage in the summer hotel business, which he is now conducting. He became a Mason in Frontier Lodge of Franklin, Vt., January 17, 1889, and was worshipful master in 1895. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, May 8, 1908, prior to which he had become affiliated with Seneca Lodge of Milton, Vt., Burlington R. A. Chapter and Lafayette Commandery, K. T., of St. Albans. He is past chief ranger of Court Phillipsburg, Independent Order of Foresters, past grand of Milton Lodge of Odd Fellows, and past D. D. G. M. of District No. 4. He was married in Swanton, Vt. May 7, 1890, to Ruby L. Russell, daughter of Orlando and Annie P. Russell, and they have four children: Bella C., Marguerite, Annie E. and Avis E. In politics Noble Morse is a Republican.

DON A. STONE

A United States customs agent stationed at Plattsburg, N. Y., having entered the special agents division in October, 1897. He was born in Westford, Vt., December 8, 1853, the son of Alney Stone, a native of Westford, born April 11, 1820, and Marcia Parsons Stone, who was born in Fletcher, Vt., January 5, 1829. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple February 25, 1903. His Masonic record is as follows: P. M. of Washington Lodge, No. 3; P. H. P. of Burlington R. A. Chapter No. 3; P. T. I. M. of Burlington Council No. 5, R. & S. M.; P. C. of Burlington Commandery No. 2, K. T.; P. T. P. M. of Haswell Lodge of Perfection; P. S. P. of Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J., and P. M. W. M. of Delta Chapter of Rose Croix. He is in Vermont Consistory, 32°. He has been grand master of Royal and Select Masters of Vermont, and is a P. D. D. G. M. of the 5th Masonic district, Vermont. He was admitted to the bar in Orleans county, Vt., in February, 1883, and is a member of the Vermont Bar Association. He is also on the roll of the Algonquin and the Ethan Allen clubs of Burlington, Vt. In politics he is a Republican. He was married September 24, 1884 to Bessie F. Macomber, daughter of James H. and Frances Beach Macomber of Westford, Vt. They have no children. Both he and his wife attend the Congregational Church. His favorite pastimes are billiards, bowling and baseball. In his reading he especially likes historical novels. He attended the University of Vermont, graduating with the class of 1878. He was a member of the Delta Psi Fraternity. While his actual residence is in Plattsburg, N. Y., his legal residence is Burlington, Vt.

WILLIAM L. FARRAR

A merchant of North Walcott, Vt., was born in Walden, Vt., July 27, 1857, and attended the Caledonia County grammar school, graduating in November, 1879. His father, Joseph Farrar, was born in Gilmanton, N. H., December 8, 1823, and his mother, Amanda Lane Farrar, in Danville, Vt., in 1836. His mother alone is living. He was married to Betty E. Buchanan, March 25, 1880, who passed on, January 5, 1894, leaving four children: Maude E., born November 19, 1881; Ethel G., born August 12, 1883; Bernice L., born June 21, 1888, and Bliss W., born December 25, 1890. August 1, 1895, he was married to Delia M. Pike in Stowe, Vt. She is the daughter of Adna and Maria Bennett Pike, both natives of Vermont. One child has resulted from this marriage, J. Stanley Farrar. Noble Farrar was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., July 2, 1908. He also belongs to Granite Lodge; Tucker R. A. Chapter, and Lamoille Commandery, K. T. As a Republican he became postmaster of North Walcott in 1901, which position he holds at the present time. From 1890 to 1895 he conducted a meat and provision store there.

LEROY A. KENT

President of the J. H. McLoud Co., a mercantile concern of Hardwick, Vt., was born in Calais, Vt., August 25, 1843, the son of Ira and Polly Curtiss Kent. His father was born in 1803 and his mother in 1804. He attended the public schools of Calais and Providence, R. I., graduating from the business college of the latter city in 1864. From 1873 to 1893 he was postmaster and merchant of Calais, and he also served in the Vermont Legislature in 1882-83. He was married to Susan Blanche Hollister, daughter of Samuel Dwight and Flora Coburn Hollister, and they have one child, Ira Rich, born October 28, 1876, who is associate editor of the "Youth's Companion" of Boston. Noble Kent belongs to Aurora Lodge; Hiram R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is affiliated with the Democratic Party.

1 RAY S. THRESHER

2 JAMES F. SMITH

3 JAMES C. DAY

4 M. CLARENCE KNIGHT

5 GEORGE H. GORHAM

6 HENRY E. FRENCH

7 FRANK LESLIE BRIGHAM

8 WILLIAM B. WARREN

9 WILLIAM S. HEWITT

10 HARVEY W. EATON

11 CLARENCE K. HOSFORD

12 NATHAN CUSHING

13 GEORGE A. CHEDEL

14 GEORGE W. TILDEN

15 FREDERICK D. LADD

16 D. F. DAVIS, JR.

GEORGE HENRY WHITMAN

Of Burlington, Vt., whose home is at 166 College Street, conducted a hardware business for some years, establishing it in 1869; was eight years a photographer, and since 1903 has been connected with the New England Telephone & Telegraph Co. in Burlington. He was born December 25, 1845, in Jamaica, Vt., the son of Alanson and Jane Gardner Whitman. He attended the public schools of Londonderry, Vt., graduating from the high school there. He was married July 13, 1882, to De Elsie M. Folsom, daughter of William Quimby and Mae S. Phillips Folsom, of Lewiston, Maine. He attends the Baptist Church, likes to travel, and reads largely in history and general literature. He is affiliated with Burlington Lodge, F. & A. M.; Burlington R. A. Chapter; Burlington Council, R. & S. M.; Burlington Commandery, K. T.; Haswell Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., entering the temple in 1900. He was secretary in the subordinate lodge. In politics he is a Republican.

LEONARD B. JONES

Deputy collector of customs at the port of Island Pond, Vt., has filled that position since October 1, 1897. He was born in Island Pond October 17, 1875, and received his education in St. Johnsbury Academy, graduating from that institution in June, 1895. His parents are still living. They are Leonard F. Jones, born in Victory, Vt., April 9, 1854, and Jessie Buchanan Jones, a native of Morgan, Vt., born July 18, 1857. June 26, 1902, he was married to Shirley A. White, daughter of John and Ellen Going White of Island Pond, his wife's parents being natives of Ireland. Both himself and wife are members of the Episcopal Church. Their home is at the corner of Bellevue Avenue and Pleasant Street, Island Pond. Noble Jones joined Mt. Sinai Temple in May, 1906. He also belongs to Island Pond Lodge; Keystone R. A. Chapter, and Malta Commandery, K. T., and is a member of the Oswegetchie Boat and Canoe Club. Fishing and canoeing are his favorite recreations, and he is devoted to the reading of history and fiction. He votes the Republican ticket.

CLOISE C. MURRAY

At present a traveling salesman, with his residence in Burlington, Vt., has filled several important positions in the past, despite the fact that he is still a young man. He was born in Middlebury, Vt., January 5, 1880, and attended the school of Meriden, N. H. He is the son of Nelson and Sarah Murray of Lincoln, Vt. Both parents are living. Noble Murray was manager of a general store in Lincoln, Vt., 1902 to 1904; the manager of the Clark Mercantile Company of Bradford, Vt., from 1904 to 1907. He was also a traveling salesman for the Nall & Williams Tobacco Company of Louisville, Ky., for a time, and is now acting in the same capacity for the W. E. Greene Company of Burlington. He belongs to Charity Lodge; Bradford R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, the latter since 1907. He was married May 6, 1908, to Madie A. MacQuivey, daughter of Irvin D. and Eliza J. MacQuivey of Ripton, Vt. They have one child, Helen E., born February 20, 1909. He is a member of the branch of the United Commercial Travelers of St. Johnsbury.

JOHN C. HUTCHINS

A merchant of North Stratford, N. H., who has been engaged in the mercantile and real estate business since 1886, is a native of Walcott, Vt., and was born February 3, 1864, the son of Lewis S. Hutchins, born August 6, 1834, and Marcia M. Aiken Hutchins. He attended Hardwick Academy, graduating from there in 1884, after taking a scientific course, and was married in West Stewartstown, N. H., October 24, 1889, to Sadie H. Mayo of that town, daughter of Thomas H. Mayo, a native of Boston, Mass., and Ellen F. Rowell, a native of Pittsburg, N. H. They have two children: Ralph M. born August 20, 1890, and Paul A. Hutchins, born August 29, 1900. Noble Hutchins belongs to Evening Star Lodge No. 37; North Star Commandery, K. T.; Lancaster Lodge of Perfection; Concord Council, P. of J.; Littleton Chapter of Rose Croix; New Hampshire Consistory, 32°, and entered Mt. Sinai Temple in July, 1895. He is also a member of Coos Lodge, K. of H.; Stratford Lodge, K. of P.; Connecticut River Court; Independent Order of Foresters; Coos Grange, P. of H., and the Granite State Club of Manchester, N. H. He was elected grand chancellor Knights of Pythias of New Hampshire at Woodsville, N. H., in 1900; representative to the General Court, 1899 and 1901, and was a delegate from New Hampshire to the Democratic National Convention at Denver, Col., 1908. He is an owner of valuable timber lands in Northern New Hampshire and Vermont.

STANLEY B. TUTTLE

Of Burlington, Vt., is a traveling salesman in the paint and hardware trade, having been engaged in that line since 1899. He was born in Charlotte, Vt., May 21, 1877, and graduated from Essex High School. His father, Hollis Tuttle, of Essex, Vt., is living, but his mother, Helen Barton Tuttle, has passed on. He was married, October 20, 1908, to Florence E. Lyon, daughter of Harvey and Ella Russell Lyon of Swanton, Vt. Their home is at 272 Pearl Street, Burlington. Noble Tuttle is partial to all outdoor sports, his particular diversions being hunting and fishing. His reading is principally confined to the better class of fiction and the magazines. He belongs to Burlington Lodge, F. & A. M.; Burlington R. A. Chapter; Burlington Commandery, K. T.; Haswell Lodge of Perfection; Edward W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter in 1904. He is a member, too, of the Lake Champlain Club of Burlington.

T. S. UNDERWOOD

Of Lancaster, N. H., has been engaged in the tailoring business for himself for more than half a century, starting in that line away back in 1853. For the past fifteen years he has been associated in business with his son under the firm name of T. S. Underwood & Son. He was born July 30, 1830, in New Sharon, Franklin County, Maine, and attended school in New York State. His father was a native of Bradford, Vt., born in 1761. Noble Underwood was married in Danville, Vt., in 1860, to Mary Elizabeth Alexander of Hartland, Vt., and their only child is George Baxter Underwood, born June 28, 1865. He is fond of the seashore and frequently goes to Old Orchard, Maine, during the summer season. The works of Ralph Waldo Emerson form his favorite reading. He votes the Republican ticket. He is affiliated with North Star Lodge; North Star R. A. Chapter; North Star Commandery, K. T., and entered Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1895. After being commander of the commandery three years, he was re-elected for a fourth term and declined.

WALTER DURANT BERRY, M.D.

Of Burlington, Vt., is a specialist in mental and nervous diseases. He was born in Warren, Mass., September 3, 1870, and graduated from Worcester High School in 1890, having taken special courses in English branches. His parents were Charles Edward and Helen Durant Berry, the former of Augusta, Maine, and the latter of Warren, Mass. His mother passed on during the doctor's childhood. He was married June 10, 1900, in Burlington, Vt., to Mary, daughter of Joseph and Irene Corbin Warren, of Oxford, Mass. They have three children living: Helen, Edward W., and Robert D. Dr. Berry is enrolled in the Ethan Allen Social Club; was for several years prominent in gymnastics and athletic work in Centre College, Danville, Ky., and the University of Cincinnati in Cincinnati, Ohio. Later he graduated in medicine at Cincinnati and then at Post Graduate School, New York City. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1901, and received all the Scottish Rite degrees up to and including the 32°, his consistory membership being in Vermont. He is enrolled in the chapter and council at Montpelier, having taken his degrees while medical director of the State Hospital for the Insane in Waterbury, Vt.

CHARLES A. GATES

Of Burlington, Vt., was born in Belmont, N. Y., May 21, 1869, and was married to Pearl A. Hooker of Clinton, Mass., September 4, 1895. His business address is at 100 Winooski Avenue, Burlington. From 1891 up to the present time he has been engaged as a traveling salesman. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., October 24, 1905, and also belongs to Washington Lodge; Burlington R. A. Chapter, and Burlington Commandery, K. T.

1 RUSSELL C. COLLINS
2 FRANK L. SMALL
3 NOBLE S. LOVE
4 WAYNE M. REED

5 JOHN J. SOWLES
6 JOHN C. WYELIE
7 JAMES E. WARD
8 GEORGE E. INGLIS

9 WILLIAM H. DUTHIE
10 S. HOLLISTER JACKSON
11 ZELA ALVIN RICHARDSON
12 LEIGHTON P. SLACK

13 FREDERICK W. MORSE
14 PALMER E. PAINE
15 AUSTIN HENRY BAGLEY
16 CHARLES A. LANG

HENRY RUMFORD THOMPSON

Lives in Helena, Montana, where he is a practicing attorney, was born September 30, 1868, in Springfield, Vt., the son of Horace Weston and Georginia Thompson, his father a native of Springfield and his mother of Arlington, Vt. Noble Thompson was educated in St. Paul's preparatory school, Trinity College and the Yale Law School, graduating from all these. He received the degree of M. A. from Trinity College and that of B. L. from Yale. He was married November 9, 1898, to Ellen E. Clark, daughter of Hon. Martin V. B. and Mary Ellen Scoville Clark. They have two children: James, born June 20, 1901, and Elizabeth, born December 1, 1904. In politics he acts with the Republican Party. He belongs to King Solomon Lodge; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he joined in 1902.

HENRY M. CHENEY

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born in Waterford, Vt., December 3, 1845, and attended the public schools of Concord, Vt. He is foreman of the machine department of the Fairbanks Scales Co., and has been in that division forty-one years. His father, Danforth Cheney, was born in Ashford, Conn., October 29, 1795, and his mother, Lois Pike Cheney, was born May 10, 1801. He is a Republican, and was trustee of the village for five years. He belongs to Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a member of the Mystic Club of St. Johnsbury. His religious belief is Congregationalist.

GEORGE F. CHENEY

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., is a member of the firm of Cheney & Allen of that city. He was born in Lunenburg, Vt., where he attended the public schools, finishing his education in the St. Johnsbury Academy and the Philadelphia Dental College, graduating from the latter in 1883. He was president of the Board of State Dental Examiners and a member of it for fifteen years. His father, Lieutenant Nathan C. Cheney, was killed at the battle of Cedar Creek during the Civil War, October 19, 1864. His mother's maiden name was Miranda Powers. December 25, 1897, he was married to Mrs. Emma Smith Peters, a graduate of Wellesley College. Her parents were A. A. and Betsey Smith. He is a past master of Passumpsic Lodge, F. & A. M.; a member of Haswell R. A. Chapter; past thrice illustrious master of Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; past commander of Palestine Commandery, K. T., and has held office in Mizpah Lodge of Perfection. He is in Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a Republican in politics, and his religious faith is Congregationalist. Fishing and hunting are his favorite sports.

ELMORE E. EVANS

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born in Waterford, Vt., January 23, 1858, and received his education in St. Johnsbury Academy. His father, who is living, is John B. Evans; his mother was Ludy A. Smith. For six years he was with the Fairbanks Scales Co. as a machinist, and is now a locomotive engineer on the St. J. & L. C. Railroad, being twenty-three years in that service. December 31, 1881, he was married to Kate R. Bagley, daughter of Ira A. and Cynthia A. Hill Bagley. They have one son, Earl D. Evans, who is twenty-four years old. Three died in infancy. He belongs to Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of the Odd Fellows, New England Order of Protection, and Lafayette Lodge, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. He is a Republican.

BERT W. LIVINGSTON

Engaged as sealer for the Fairbanks Scales Co. of St. Johnsbury, Vt., has filled that position ever since 1895. Previous to that year he was connected with the Rutland Road for two years, and with the St. J. & L. Railroad three years. He was born in St. Johnsbury October 28, 1871, and attended the public schools there. His father, Alexander Livingston, who was born in 1829, is still living at the ripe old age of eighty. His mother was Susan Humphrey Livingston, born in 1834. Noble Livingston was married, September 18, 1900, to Maude Goodell, daughter of George and Alma Goodell of St. Johnsbury. He is now a widower; his wife passed on April 27, 1904, leaving one child, Gladys Livingston. He belongs to Passumpsic Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Haswell Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of Caledonian Lodge of Odd Fellows, having been its conductor, and also in Moose River Encampment, as well as Canton Crescent, Patriarchs Militant. In politics he is a Republican. He served in the Spanish-American War in 1898 as a private in Company D, First Vermont Regiment. He is fond of hunting and fishing.

H. ARTHUR BOWERS

Resides in Aberdeen, Scotland, belongs to Mt. Sinai Temple, to which he was admitted in 1891. His home Masonic Lodge is St. Nicholas of Aberdeen, Scotland, and he is enrolled in the R. A. Chapter of the same name. His council of Royal and Select Masters is King Solomon, and he is a member of Mt. Zion Commandery. He was born March 17, 1866, in Sonora, Ohio, and attended the schools there, as well as in Zanesville. His parents were Solomon J. and Esther Fraser Bowers, both natives of Ohio. His present occupation is selling abrasive wheels, being sole representative for Great Britain of the Star Corundum Wheel Co. of Detroit, Mich. He traveled for W. C. Townsend of Zanesville, Ohio, from 1884 to 1887; was secretary of the R. C. Bowers Granite Co., Montpelier, Vt., from 1888 to 1907, and at the same time was British agent for the Carborundum Co. of Niagara Falls, N. Y., from 1898 to 1905, being located in London.

A. C. FELLOWS

A dealer in horses at East Charleston, Vt. He is a native of Barford, province of Quebec, Canada, where he was born February 23, 1866. He attended the schools of that province. His father, Cresby Fellows, now sixty-four years old, and his mother, Mary Cushman Fellows, fifty years old, are both living. Noble Fellows was married, December 7, 1887, at Derby, Vt., to Luna H. Stephen, daughter of Charles G. and Mary E. Marston Stephen of East Charleston. They have five children: Grace H., born June 15, 1889; Vinne, born July 4, 1891; Percy E., born December 22, 1895; Ione P., born June 12, 1902, and Arlean T., born January 27, 1908. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple June 30, 1903. In addition he belongs to Island Pond Lodge, A. F. & A. M., which he entered in 1889; Keystone R. A. Chapter, Vermont Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; the C. P. of J. C. council, and Burlington and Vermont chapter of Rose Croix, at Burlington, and Consistory. He is likewise a member of the Essex Lodge of Odd Fellows and Rose encampments of Island Pond since 1889, and of the M. E. A. of East Charleston. In politics he is a Republican, and belongs to the Congregational Church.

LAWRENCE K. FORD

Of Woodsville, N. H., a member of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. is also affiliated with Kane Lodge No. 64; Franklin R. A. Chapter No. 5, and Hiram Council No. 10, R. & S. M., of Lisbon, N. H.; St. Girard Commandery, K. T., of Littleton, N. H.; North Star Lodge of Perfection, and North Star Council P. of J., of Lancaster, N. H.; Littleton Chapter of Rose Croix, and New Hampshire Consistory, 32°.

NATHANIEL BOND

Of Barre, Vt., is a civil war veteran. He enlisted in the Sixteenth Massachusetts Volunteers, Company C, and was in twenty-two general engagements. He is a native of Nashua, N. H., where he was born December 29, 1843. His father was Almon Bond, a native of Orwell, Vt., and his mother was born Marian Dickey, in Springfield, N. H. He was educated in Massachusetts. His Masonic affiliations are: Granite Lodge and Granite R. A. Chapter, both of Barre, and he was a charter member of the latter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M., and St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T. He was likewise a charter member of the latter, and also of Ruth Chapter No. 33, O. E. S. Mt. Sinai Temple accepted him March 10, 1893. He joined White Mountain Lodge, I. O. O. F., August 5, 1870, and is also a member of Crandal Post, G. A. R., of Barre, Vt. He is a Republican. His religious affiliations are Universalist. Noble Bond prefers fishing as a pastime. He is engaged in quarrying, in the capacity of foreman.

1 HABER C. CADY
2 EDWARD CONNELL
3 WALTER DOLE
4 WILLIAM A. SHAW

5 CHARLES A. PLUMLEY
6 FRED C. MARSHALL
7 JOHN P. EMSLIE
8 JOEL S. DODGE

9 HORACE W. LYFORD
10 LINFORD S. BELL
11 HOMER B. LOVERIN
12 CHARLES H. HAINES

13 CHARLES H. NEWELL
14 WILLIAM H. WARD
15 J. S. WEEKS
16 SAMUEL DANA PARKER

EUGENE A. PRINDLE

A hardware merchant of Barre, Vt., was born at Houghton, Mich., January 6, 1866. His parents, Charles Prindle and Christine Heta, were natives of Canada. Noble Prindle attended the public schools in Michigan, and his particular line of business has always been that of hardware and plumbing. He belongs to Granite Lodge, F. & A. M.; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., to which he was admitted November 18, 1902. He is third vice-president of the Canadian Club, and director of the Barre Merchant Association. He was married at Waitsfield, Vt., December 24, 1889, to Sarah K. Baird. They have one child, Bernice B., born January 19, 1893. Hunting and fishing are his favorite sports, and he is also fond of automobiling.

EDWARD GEORGE SPRAGUE

A well known oculist of Barre, Vt., where he has been following his profession since 1902. He was born in Chelsea, Vt., February 23, 1865. His parents are still living. His father is John Hibbard Sprague, born in 1838, and his mother Julia Bacon Sprague, born in 1840. He was educated in St. Johnsbury Academy, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; graduated from there in 1887, from the University of Vermont academic department in 1891, and from the Medical School in 1894. After a general practice in Rumney, N. H., of six years, he studied in the eye and ear clinics here and in Europe for two years. In 1902 he was married to Hetty Cook, daughter of George P. and Elizabeth Page Cook of Plymouth, N. H. Two children have been born to them: Elizabeth and Hibbard Sprague. Noble Sprague belongs to Granite Lodge, F. & A. M.; Pilgrim Council, R. & S. M., of Laconia, N. H.; Pilgrim Commandery, K. T.; the Lodge of Perfection, Council, Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Consistory at Nashua, N. H., Mt. Sinai Temple accepting him in 1902. He attends the Congregational Church, and votes the Republican ticket.

JOHN GORDON McLEOD

Of Barre, Vt., was born in Bury, province of Quebec, November 27, 1867, the son of Mardock J. and Catherine McIver McLeod. Both of his parents are living. His father is a native of Bury, while his mother was born in Scotland. He attended the public schools of his native place, and started early in the granite quarrying business. He is now a member of the Wells & Lamson Quarry Co. of Barre, having been connected with that concern since 1906. Prior to that year he was engaged with the Langdon Granite Co. of Montpelier for thirteen and one-half years, and was also a member of the Innis & Cruickshank Co. Altogether he has been in that business for nineteen years. He was married, July 1, 1897, to Millie L. Beal of South Barre, Vt., whose father, Benjamin R. Beal, was from Brattleboro, and her mother, Mary Hidden Beal, from South Barre. They have one child, James Boutwell McLeod, born April 28, 1903. Noble McLeod belongs to Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., entering the latter in 1900. He is a Republican, belongs to the Universalist Church, and is fond of autoing and reading historical works.

JAMES F. SMITH

Of Barre, Vt., was born in Williamstown, Vt., January 1, 1872. His father was Solon Smith and his mother was born Ellen E. Jillson. He was educated in the schools of Washington, and later removed to Barre, where he married Florence B. Houghton, daughter of C. L. Houghton of Orange, Vt., and Laura A. Bixby of Lyme, N. H. They had one child, Madine. Since 1889 Noble Smith has been the agent of the Montpelier and Wells River Railroad Company at Barre. He was initiated, passed, raised in Masonry in Granite Lodge No. 35, and was exalted in Granite Royal Arch Chapter No. 26. He was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11. He is also a member of Vincitia Lodge No. 10, Knights of Pythias, and is the past master of work of the lodge. He is also active in the Uniform Rank of that order, being past captain of Barre Company No. 6. In other ways Noble Smith is popular in Barre, and he is past vice-president and manager of the Vincitia Club. He is a member of the Universalist Church. In politics he is a Republican, but has never aspired to political office. He is fond of reading, especially of Shakespeare. His favorite recreation is the great national game of baseball. He resides at 54½ Spaulding Street, Barre.

ELBERT A. BUGBEE

Of Barre, Vt., is the head of the firm of E. A. Bugbee & Co., granite manufacturers, which he organized January 1, 1908. He started his present business with W. S. Alexander, July 1, 1892, the firm name being Bugbee & Alexander. He was born in West Burke, Vt., February 20, 1864; attended Lyndon Institute, from which he graduated in 1884, and also took a course in a business college. In addition to his membership in Mt. Sinai Temple, he belongs to Granite Masonic Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter, and St. Aldemar Commandery. In the New England Order of Protection he has risen to the office of grand warden of the State. He was married, May 20, 1885, to Lilla L. Curtis, and their children are Arthur E. and Jessie M. His parents were Sereno and Julia A. McCurdy Bugbee. His favorite sports are hunting, fishing, and automobiling.

DONALD A. BLAKE

A son of the land of heather. That is one reason why he joined the order of Scottish Clans and became a member of the Burns Club. His place of birth was Aberdeen, Scotland. His parents were Donald and Jane Ross Blake of Aberdeen; his father is living. When a young man he came to this country and located in Vermont, in which State he now resides, at West Hill, Barre. He was married in that place to Miss Etta Basset, and to them have been born three children: Winfield S., Francis R., and Rachel. The family religion is Presbyterian. For twenty years he has been a granite cutter, and is with Scott Bros. Quite naturally he chose for his lodge and chapter those that bear the name of Granite. He belongs also to St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and Montpelier Council, R. & S. M. His temple is Mt. Sinai, which he joined in 1903. He is a member of the order of Red Men. He prefers general reading.

CHARLES W. MELCHER

One of the best known men of Barre, which he creditably served as mayor, having been elected in 1902 on the Democratic ticket. He was born in Brunswick, Maine, in November, 1859, and was educated in the public schools there. His father was Charles A. Melcher and his mother Deborah Frye, both of Brunswick. In 1871 he entered the granite business, and in 1887 he formed the firm of Melcher & Hadley, which is widely known all over the country, and in the interest of which Noble Melcher has traveled extensively. He was one of the organizers of the People's National Bank five years ago, and was elected its first president, in which capacity he still serves. Noble Melcher married Mary A. McCorrison, by whom he has two children: Belna and Paul R. He entered Masonry in King Solomon Lodge, Somerville, Mass., and was exalted in Atlantic R. A. Chapter. The Templar orders were conferred upon him by St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T. He was made a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple March 11, 1898. Noble Melcher is fond of travel, and also enjoys spending his spare time at the seashore with his family.

GILSON J. LOVELAND

Of Springfield, Mass., was born June 7, 1877, in Northfield, Vt., the son of J. S. Loveland, a native of Stoddard, N. H., born December 15, 1836, and Jeanette L. Haseltine Loveland, who was born in Moretown, Vt., both living. He attended the public schools of Northfield, graduating from the high school there in 1896. He learned the trade of carpenter and is now engaged in it with A. G. Chapman, a contractor. He was married, December 6, 1905, in Northfield, to Helen M. Smith, daughter of Lucius P. Smith, a native of that town, and Louise M. Blanchard Smith of Swanton, Vt. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple October 29, 1903, and also is enrolled in DeWitt Clinton Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter, and Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T. In political matters he is a Republican. He is fond of all outdoor sports, particularly the game of baseball; inclines to books on technical subjects, and also reads the newspapers quite largely. His home is at 43 Patton Street, Springfield, and attends the Universalist Church.

1 VICTOR N. DEMING
2 EDMUND C. BOLLES
3 ORRIN RANSOME BUELL
4 BEAMON BOWKER

5 WILLIAM SMITH
6 C. J. McCAULEY
7 F. G. HINMAN
8 W. H. BECKWITH

9 CHARLES E. CORUTH
10 C. H. KATHAM
11 JACOB M. SALOMON
12 LYMAN BROOKS

13 A. R. CAMPBELL
14 FRANK O. KENNEDY
15 WALTER B. NOYES
16 CHARLES F. PARTRIDGE

F. W. PAGE

Of Whitefield, N. H., was born in Lyndonville, Vt., March 3, 1868, and attended the schools of Ashland, N. H., graduating in 1888. His father was born in Ryegate, Vt., in 1840. His mother's maiden name was Hattie C. Lamb; she is still living. He was married to Lillian H. Roberts in Ashland, and they have one child, Helen P., born September 28, 1898. Both he and his wife are members of the Episcopal Church. Noble Page occupies the position of cashier in a Whitefield Bank. He belongs to White Mountain Lodge; North Star R. A. Chapter; North Star Commandery, K. T., Lancaster, N. H.; Lodge of Perfection, Littleton, N. H.; Chapter of Rose Croix; New Hampshire Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a Republican.

RAY S. THRESHER

Of Williamstown, Vt., was born in Northfield, Vt., June 6, 1877, and attended the public schools of Chelsea, Vt., graduating in 1896. His parents were Freeman and Mary S. Wood Thresher. He was married, April 22, 1908, to Amy Walbridge, daughter of James H. and Edla Dutton Walbridge of Williamstown. Noble Thresher is a member of Phœnix Lodge No. 28; Whitney R. A. Chapter No. 5, and Haswell Council No. 6, R. & S. M., of Randolph, Vt.; Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T., of Montpelier, and entered Mt. Sinai Temple February 29, 1903. Since April 1, 1908, he has been engaged in the business of farming and stock raising. He is fond of the game of tennis, and also likes hunting as another form of sport. He is a diligent student of Shakespeare. In his religious affiliations he is a member of the Congregational Church.

FRANK LESLIE BRIGHAM

Holds membership in four Masonic bodies, the Shrine and the various branches of Odd Fellowship. His Masonic connections are: Charity Lodge, of which he is past master; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter, in which he is secretary; Bradford Council, R. & S. M., where he is deputy master, and Palestine Commandery, K. T. In the I. O. O. F. he belongs to Champion Lodge of Bradford, Vt.; Ammonoosic Encampment of Lisbon, N. H., and Canton Albion of Woodsville, N. H. He is in the Bradford Brotherhood also. He has held the post of town treasurer of Bradford from 1904 to the present time. He is connected with the firm of Stearns & Bradford, which he entered in June, 1901. He is secretary of the Vermont Association of Local Fire Insurance Agents, and manager and captain of the baseball team. He was born in Bradford, Vt., January 23, 1879, attended the public schools in Lisbon, N. H.; graduated from the high school, and took a special course in a Boston business college. His parents were Silas H. and Olive Merrick Brigham. He was married, October 30, 1901, in Lisbon, to Winifred Witcher. He is a Congregationalist; deems baseball the best of sports, and favors general literature.

M. CLARENCE KNIGHT

Town clerk and treasurer in his native town of Newbury, Vt., was born September 24, 1861. He attended the public schools and afterwards took a special course at Eastman's Business College in 1881. Both parents were born in New Hampshire, and are still living. His father is Andrew Jackson Knight, and his mother was born Sarah Elizabeth Jennie. He was married in his home town to Miss Clara Annette Silsby, daughter of William H. and Sophrona French Silsby, all of Newbury. Mr. and Mrs. Knight have four children: Horace, born September 9, 1889; William H., June 16, 1891; Harvey S., January 17, 1898, and Nellie Martha, February 22, 1905. He delights in hunting and fishing, and is much interested in historical reading and general literature. He is a Democrat, and has held his present political position since 1902. He has been engaged in lumber industry, and also in the insurance business. He became a Shriner in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1895. He is a member of Pulaski Lodge; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter, and Palestine Commandery, K. T.

GEORGE H. GORHAM, M. D.

A successful practicing physician of Bellows Falls, Vt., the son of Freeman Gorham and Malvina C. Hitchcock Gorham, both of whom have passed on. He was born in Westminster, Vt., October 9, 1857, educated in Vermont Academy and the University of Vermont, and graduated from the medical department, University of New York, in 1882. June 1, 1897, he was married to Abbie C. Hitchcock. He belongs to King Solomon Lodge; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He was grand commander of Knights Templar 1908-9. He is also a member of the Odd Fellows and the Eastern Star. He is a Republican, and is at present a State senator. He is a member of the Congregational Church.

HENRY E. FRENCH

Of Union Village, Vt., is a member of the firm of French & French, general merchandise, which was established January 1, 1908. He was in business at the same place, however, for fourteen years previously. He was born in Rumney, N. H., March 24, 1865, the son of Charles N. and Hannah M. Ellis French. His father was born in Rumney, November 14, 1829, and his mother in Thetford, Vt., July 13, 1835. He was married, December 11, 1889, to Frances S. Gordon of Thetford, daughter of Thomas J. Gordon, born in Sharon, Vt., July 18, 1830 and Mary Ann Austin, born in Marshfield, Vt., July 14, 1829. They have no children. Noble French is a member of Chocorua Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, joining the latter April 6, 1900. He is a Republican and attends the Methodist Church. He was in business in Center Harbor, N. H., from April 1, 1889, up to 1894, and was appointed postmaster on November 6, 1896.

JAMES C. DAY

President of the Bellows Falls Board of Trade, and a cemetery commissioner for more than thirty years, is proprietor of the dry goods business of J. C. Day & Co., which has been established since 1878. From 1870 to 1887 he was a member of the firm of Skinner, Day & Co. of Keene, N. H., dealers in dry goods. He was born in South Attleboro, Mass., March 26, 1848, the son of James S. and Ann Eliza Holmes Day. He was educated in the Providence Conference Seminary at East Greenwich, R. I., graduating from there in 1865, after taking a business course. He was married in Keene, N. H., October 15, 1873, to Charlotte Elizabeth Pray of Keene, daughter of Otis Pray, a native of Somersworth, N. H., and Charlotte Thacher Pray, a native of England. Two children were born to them: Charlotte Mary and Elizabeth Holmes. His wife passing away, he was married the second time to Lorena Esther Jewett of Saxton's River, Vt., January 23, 1895. One child has come to them, Dorothy Madeline, born June 8, 1896. Noble Day belongs to King Solomon Temple Lodge; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in May, 1907. He is a member of Alpha Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; Bellows Falls Lodge of Odd Fellows; Amith Lodge of Rebekahs, and the Westminster and Bellows Falls Boat Clubs. He is a Republican. He and his wife attend the Congregational Church.

WILLIAM B. WARREN

Engaged in the manufacture of lumber and chair stock, also apple and maple products, in the town of Halifax, Vt., where he lives, since 1889. He was born in Guilford, Vt., September 15, 1865, the son of Gilman Warren, born in Hubbardston, Mass., February 20, 1836, and Francelia A. Johnson Warren, who was born in Vernon, Vt., August 24, 1843. Only his mother is living. He was educated in the public schools and Leland and Gray Seminary in Townsend, Vt. He has been twice married. His first wife was Mary L. Thruber, daughter of Emerson and Sarah B. Ballou Thruber, and the ceremony took place in Brattleboro, October 3, 1889. She died leaving four children: Addie B., born August 14, 1892; Clara M., born July 1, 1894; Mabel, born February 8, 1896 and Bryan E. born September 16, 1900. December 1, 1909, he was married in Marlboro, Vt., to Alice V. Whitney, daughter of Henry F. and Metta A. Hall Whitney. Noble Warren belongs to Unity Lodge No. 89 of Jacksonville, Vt.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter No. 12, and Beauseant Commandery No. 7, K. T. of Brattleboro, and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., November 1, 1901. He is, too, a member of Guiding Star Grange of West Halifax, Vt., and Pearl Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of Jacksonville. He is an Independent in politics with a leaning toward the Democratic side on State issues. He is a member of the Baptist Church in West Halifax.

1 GEORGE A. CROSS
2 FRANK C. MOSHER
3 JOHN T. CUNNINGHAM
4 EDWIN E. ROBINSON
5 PHIL S. CLARK
6 BERTRAND E. BULLARD
7 ALBERT M. JEWETT
8 HERBERT E. MOORE
9 EDMUND J. KING
10 CHARLES A. STANLEY
11 ARTHUR G. SPRAGUE
12 SIMON D. ATWOOD
13 JAMES S. WILSON
14 FRANK H. MINER
15 WILLIAM HENRY FEARON
16 WILLIAM A. WHITCOMB

WILLIAM S. HEWITT

A well known merchant of Woodstock, Vt., who has been conducting a clothing and furnishing goods business there since 1883. Previous to that year he was engaged in the dry goods trade with J. B. Jones for several years, starting that connection in 1873. He was born in Pomfret, Vt., July 22, 1853. His parents were William R. and Eliza L. Snow Hewitt, natives of Vermont. Noble Hewitt is unmarried. He is a member of Woodstock Lodge; Woodstock R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Windsor Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He studied in the public schools of Woodstock, and graduated from the high school there in 1871. His political affiliations are with the Republican Party. He is a lover of all outdoor sports, but is particularly fond of the game of golf. His reading embraces all that is good in general literature.

HARVEY W. EATON

Of Bradford, Vt., was born in Danville, Vt., August 27, 1878, the son of George E. Eaton, born April 5, 1846, and Josephine E. Walker Eaton. He was educated in the St. Johnsbury Academy, and after graduating entered business life. From 1901 to 1904 he conducted a general store, but for the past five years has been engaged in the lumber trade. He was married, September 24, 1902, in Troy, N. Y., to Lula F. Sanderson, daughter of Anson L. and Albina C. Shiras Sanderson of that city. They have one child, George H., born January 17, 1907. Noble Eaton likes especially to fish and hunt in season, while his favorite branches of literature consist of historical and biographical works. He belongs to Charity Lodge; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter; Bradford Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered June 30, 1903. In politics he is affiliated with the Republican Party, and attends the Episcopal Church.

CLARENCE K. HOSFORD

Of North Thetford, Vt., was born in that town September 17, 1875, the son of Joseph Tracy and Julia L. Kent Hosford, both natives of the same town. His mother alone is living. After fitting for college he entered Dartmouth, and was graduated from there in 1902. He then took up engineering, which he has followed ever since, having been assistant engineer in the United States reclamation service from 1904 to 1907. He is a member of the Democratic Party, and is now serving in the Vermont State Assembly. He became a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1908, and also belongs to Jackson Lodge; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T. He is a member of Crystal Lake Lodge of Odd Fellows. He is not married. He is especially fond of fishing and hunting as pastimes.

NATHAN CUSHING

Of Woodstock, Vt., was born there December 21, 1842, and has been a farmer and maple sugar maker at his place, "Sunny Side Gardens," since 1876. From 1866 to 1875 he was in the sole leather business in Boston. He attended the schools in Meriden, N. H., and took a special course at Eastman's Commercial College in 1863. He is a veteran of the Civil War, and a past commander of George C. Randall Post 82, G. A. R., department of Vermont. His father was Nathan Cushing, Sr., and his mother was Verona King Cushing. He is a member of Woodstock Lodge; Ottaquechee R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T., of Windsor, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is in Woodstock Chapter, O. E. S., and treasurer of the Meccawe Fishing Club. He was married in Boston, March 30, 1871, to Georgianna Tower, daughter of Elbridge Gerry Tower of Belmont, Me. Her mother, Mary G. Edgecomb Tower, was a native of Hartford, Me. Noble Cushing is partial to fishing, and a reader of any good books. He is a Congregationalist.

WILBUR W. WOOD

Of Middlebury, Vt., holds the rank of captain of the guard in Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., having been admitted in December, 1907. He is likewise affiliated with Union Lodge No. 82; Potter R. A. Chapter No. 22; Middlebury Council No. 14, R. & S. M., and Mt. Calvary Commandery No. 1, K. T. He is also a member of Lake Dunmere Lodge No. 11, I. O. O. F., and Otter Creek Lodge No. 33, Knights of Pythias, both of Middlebury.

GEORGE W. TILDEN

Was a resident of Barre, Vt., at the time he entered the Unseen Temple in 1892; was born there May 22, 1833, the son of Lester Tilden. For ten years he was in the hardware business in Montpelier, Vt., and then, returning to his native town, became junior partner in the firm of Reynolds & Tilden, woolen manufacturers, at the old Moorerycroft Mills, later being senior partner for sixteen years in the firm of G. J. Reynolds & Co., hardware dealers of Barre, which business was originally founded by his father. He was a past master, and at the time of his death was, and had been for many years, secretary of Granite Masonic Lodge, and also belonged to Granite R. A. Chapter No. 26; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He was a member of Hiawatha Lodge of Odd Fellows, and a past grand of Barre Lodge, Knights of Honor, and past grand dictator of that order, and enrolled in Green Mountain Council, United Friends. He represented Barre in the Vermont Legislature in 1866 and 1867, and at the time of his death was president of the Barre Business Men's Association, as well as vice-president of the Vermont Universalist Convention. He was moderator of the town of Barre for a number of years and had held nearly every office in the gift of his townsmen. He was largely instrumental in the raising of funds for the establishment of Goddard Seminary and was secretary of the board of trustees of that institution when he passed on. He was twice married; his first wife was Elvira Waters, and four children were born of this union: George and Florence, deceased; Lester L. of Sioux City, and Harry H. of Des Moines, Iowa. He is survived by his second wife and a daughter, Mildred. For many years he was chairman of the town and county Republican Committee.

HAROLD H. BLAKE

Deceased, of Barre, Vt., was a member of Mt. Sinai Temple. He was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, October 7, 1874, the son of Donald and Jane Ross Blake. His father is still living. He received his education in his native city, and later in life emigrated to the United States. He settled in Barre, where he was married to Miss Ella Bassett. They had three children: Wenfield S., Francis R., and Rachel. His occupation was that of granite cutter, which he followed twenty years. He was with the firm of Scott Bros. He was affiliated with the Presbyterian Church. Noble Blake belonged to Granite Lodge, and his R. A. Chapter bears the same name. He was enrolled in Montpelier Council R. & S. M., and St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T. He was also connected with the Order of the Scottish Clans; Order of Red Men, and the Burns Club.

HARRY DANA BROWN

Took his first step in Freemasonry in Winooski Lodge, then advanced to Waterbury Chapter, and was knighted in Mt. Zion Commandery. He was made a Shriner in Mt. Sinai Temple. He was in the livery stable business from 1890 to 1909. He was born in Waterbury, Vt., November 20, 1859, and after attending the public schools there became a student in Barre Academy. At times he had been a bank director, selectman, water commissioner, and village trustee. His parents were Andrew J. and Mary E. Holden Brown. His mother is still living. He was married, May 4, 1882, to Minnie M., daughter of Reuben Decator and Betsey Gale Slayton, and they have two children, Andrew J. and Barbara Slayton.

WAYNE M. REED

A watchmaker and optician of Montpelier, Vt., was born in Vernon, Vt., January 1, 1872, his parents being native Americans. His mother was Addie Logan Reed, and his father, Marshall I. Reed, was a resident of Vernon more than fifty years. Noble Reed attended the schools of his native town and entered the jewelry business in 1888. At present he is connected with A. G. Stone of Montpelier in that line. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in 1905. Prior to that he had become affiliated with Republican Lodge of Greenfield, Mass., while a resident there; Union R. A. Chapter of Athol, Mass., and Connecticut Valley Commandery, K. T., of Greenfield. In 1894 he was married to Belle H. Lennox, daughter of Robert Lennox, and they have two children: Beatrix M. and Marshall L. Reed. Their home is at 4 Tremont Street, Montpelier. Mr. Reed is fond of all kinds of sport of a healthful nature.

1 GEORGE S. BUXTON
2 DENNISON COWLES
3 CHARLES H. McRAE
4 ALBERT H. CHANDLER
5 JOHN A. HARRINGTON
6 MARTIN JAMES McGOWAN
7 JAMES MACKAY
8 F. W. SHERBURNE
9 LESLIE I. WALKER
10 HENRY J. BECK
11 VIRGIL E. AYERS
12 WILBUR H. HERRICK
13 JOHN WELLS HOLTON
14 FRANK W. SPAULDING
15 FRED D. LESURE
16 T. W. FLETCHER

WILLIAM F. CLARK

Born June 7, 1849 in Glover, Vt., the son of F. P. A. and Eliza J. King Clark. His father was born May 21, 1819, and his mother, November 6, 1823. He was educated in Montpelier Seminary, and on September 27, 1871, was married to Elizabeth Marston, daughter of Charles and Emiline B. Emery Marston of Orford, N. H. They have four children: Charles F., Arthur W., James G. and Eliza E. Clark. In 1896 he was elected a member of the Vermont Legislature, and served in the special war session of 1898. From 1902 to 1906 he was assistant judge of the Orleans County Court. Since 1909 he has been in the insurance and real estate business at 40 Linden Street, Geneva, N. Y., his residence being at 223 High Street. Noble Clark belongs to Orleans Lodge No. 55; Keystone R. A. Chapter No. 16; Malta Commandery No. 10, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, June 30, 1906. He is a Republican, and a member of the Methodist Church.

CARROLL A. MOORE

A member of the firm of John T. Moore & Son, paper manufacturers, of Bellows Falls, Vt., which has been in existence since 1889, is a native of Putney, Vt., and was born September 17, 1867. He attended the public schools of Bellows Falls, graduating from the high school in 1884. His father, John T. Moore, and his mother, Lucy A. Pierce Moore, are both living. He is a Republican, and served as village trustee from 1896 to 1898. From 1897 to 1899 he was also a member of the staff of Governor Josiah Grout of Vermont. He was married, June 11, 1890, to Fanny C. Willson of Bellows Falls. Her father, Fred M. Willson, was from Petersham, Mass., and her mother, Mary J. Arms Willson, from Deerfield, Mass. They have no children. Noble Moore is partial to outdoor sports, and is particularly fond of motor boats and automobiles. He belongs to King Solomon Lodge; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and became acquainted with the camel of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1903. He holds membership in the Westminster Club of Bellows Falls and the Republican Club of New York. He is a trustee of Rockingham Free Library, and director in the Sherman Envelope Co. of Worcester, Mass. He is a member of the Episcopal Church.

JAMES F. MacLENNAN

Connected with the Vermont Farm Machine Co. of Bellows Falls, Vt., was born in Owen Sound, Ontario, Canada, August 31, 1876. Noble MacLennan was educated in the public schools of Canada, Guelph College and the University of Minnesota. He was married, September 23, 1903, to Gertrude A. King of Bellows Falls. They have one child, Elizabeth King MacLennan, born January 31, 1907. His home is at 12 Church Street, Bellows Falls. He is a member of King Solomon Temple Lodge; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., becoming a member of the temple in 1902. He also belongs to the Elks, and is a member of the Westminster Club.

RUSSELL C. COLLINS

Of East Montpelier, Vt., was born in Walcott, Vt., September 7, 1860, and attended the public schools of East Haven, Vt. He holds the office of architect in Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered June 12, 1889. He joined Aurora Lodge, F. & A. M., January 30, 1882; King Solomon R. A. Chapter, October 24, 1889, and Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., December 29, 1889. He also belongs to the Scottish Rite bodies, including a Lodge of Perfection, Council P. of J., a Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. Noble Collins is married.

FRANK L. SMALL

Vice-president of Smith, Whitcomb & Cook Co., machine manufacturers of Barre, Vt., has filled that position since 1907. He was born September 1, 1873, in Vinal Haven, Maine, of American parents. His father, Gilbert Small, and his mother, whose maiden name was Clara E. Ludwig, are still living. He attended the public schools of Vinal Haven, Maine, and later Goddard Seminary of Barre, Vt. Before making his present business connection he was engaged in granite cutting and as a merchant. He is now a member from Ward 2 of the Republican City Committee, having first been chosen to that position in 1902, then again in 1904, and the last time in 1908. He crossed the burning sands in Mt. Sinai Temple, November 13, 1900. He is past master of Granite Lodge No. 35; past high priest of Granite R. A. Chapter No. 26; a member of Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., No. 11; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He is president of the Vincitia Club of Barre, and lives at 3 Eastern Avenue, that city.

NOBLE S. LOVE

Of Barre, Vt., was born in Hinesburgh, Vt., August 31, 1878. His parents were the late Noble and Betsey Patrick Love, both Americans. His father was born in 1828 and his mother in 1838. He received his education in Goddard Seminary, graduating from that institution in 1898. He was married to Inez M. Averill in 1896. They have one son, Kendall A. Noble Love has been associated with the firms of Prindle & Averill, Barre; True Blanchard Co., Newport, and Phelps Bros., North Barre, and is at present with the hardware firm of C. W. Averill & Co., which he entered in 1905. Politically he is a Republican, and a Congregationalist by church affiliation. He is a member of the Vincitia Club, and is fond of hunting and fishing. He is connected with Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; is a past commander in St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and was made a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple, March 15, 1901.

JOHN J. SOWLES

Of Barre, Vt., is a native of that city. His parents were Horace W. and Abigail P. Dodge Sowles. His father was born in Alburg, Vt., May 10, 1825, while his mother was a native of Barre, born November 20, 1825. He attended the public schools of Barre, and then learned the trade of molding, which he followed from 1879 up to 1899. He then took up blacksmithing, and since 1902 has been connected with the firm of Jones Bros. of Barre. He was married, in 1886, to Sarah E. Kennedy of Duxbury, Vt., and they have four children: Horace K., who intends to enter Harvard University in 1910; Homer C., John W., and M. Dodge Sowles. Noble Sowles belongs to Granite Lodge; Granite R. A .Chapter; King Solomon Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1907. He is a Republican; a member of the Methodist Church, and is fond of hunting and fishing.

JOHN C. WYLLIE

Was born in Arbroath, Scotland, January 22, 1870, the son of John and Isabelle Carrie Wyllie, both natives of Scotland. He was married in East Milton, Mass., November 25, 1896, to Alice A. Stewart of that town, daughter of Malcolm R. and Flora Munro Stewart, natives of Prince Edward Island, and they have two children: Leslie S., born August 15, 1898, and F. Ruth, born September 6, 1904. Noble Wyllie and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church, while in politics he is a Democrat. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple in December, 1907, previous to which date he had become affiliated with Granite Lodge No. 35; Granite R. A. Chapter No. 26, and St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11, K. T. He is a blacksmith, and his home is at 14 Mt. Vernon Place, Barre, Vt.

JAMES E. WARD

A commercial traveler, whose home is in South Barre, Vt., is a native of Montpelier, Vt., and was born December 4, 1872, the son of James M. Ward and Ellen Brown Ward, who is still living. He received his education in Goddard Seminary, and ten years ago was married to Hattie Lane, daughter of A. W. and Emily Hooker Lane. They have no children. Noble Ward is in Mt. Sinai Temple, and a member of Summit Lodge of Williamstown, Vt.; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M., and St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T. He also belongs to Hiawatha Lodge of Odd Fellows, and the Vincitia Club of Barre. As a Republican he has filled the positions of deputy sheriff, justice of the peace, and secretary of the local committee.

1 JOSEPH G. BROWN
2 BURT. M. SHEPARD
3 JACK W. ROGERS
4 WALLACE W. HOWE

5 ADELBERT C. BLANCHARD
6 WILLIAM C. BERRY
7 FRANK L. BURBANK
8 OSMAN D. CLARK

9 WILLIAM J. TINDALL
10 MASON S. STONE
11 GEORGE M. GOSS
12 CLARENCE H. KENDRICK

13 K. LONGFELLOW CLEAVES
14 WALTER P. SCOTT
15 CHAUNCEY M. WILLEY
16 DWIGHT E. MASON

GEORGE INGLIS

Deceased, formerly of Barre, Vt., was a native of Aberdeen, Scotland, where he was born August 20, 1856, the son of William and Mary Yates Inglis. He attended school in his native city and took a special course in music. He was married in London, England, August 27, 1882, to Miss Annie Kennedy, also a native of Aberdeen. Her parents were John and Margaret Hunter Kennedy, both of Aberdeenshire. Soon after his marriage he emigrated to this country and located in Vermont. He was foreman of the Marr & Gordon granite plant. He was an attendant of the Baptist Church. His political affiliations were Republican. He was enrolled in Granite Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he was worshipful master; in Granite R. A. Chapter, and in St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T. He became a member of Mt. Sinai Temple in 1905. He also belonged to the Independent Order of Foresters. Acting on the advice of physicians, October 4, 1906, he left Vermont for Scotland. He consulted a specialist in London, England, but not until he arrived at the Royal Infirmary in Aberdeen was his case rightly diagnosed. As the result of an operation he died on February 11 of the following year, and was laid at rest beside his father, with full Masonic honors, in the lovely cemetery of Allenvale, Aberdeen, Scotland, thousands of miles from his home and loved ones. He left these children: Annie, William John, Henrietta, Frederic Alexander, Ethel Vie, Dorothy Katherine, Douglas Lloyd, and Ellen Edith Inez. The following predeceased their father: George, Mary Henrietta, and James.

WILLIAM H. DUTHIE

A native of Aberdeen, Scotland, came to this country at an early age and attended the public schools of Barre, Vt. His home is at 201 Washington Street, that town. He is a bookkeeper for the Wetmore & Morse Granite Co., at Montpelier, where he has been for some time. His Masonic connections include membership in Granite Lodge, F. & A. M.; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.

S. HOLLISTER JACKSON

Was born in Toronto, Ont., December 7, 1875, the son of Samuel Nelson and Mary A. Parkyn Jackson. He received his preparatory education in the public schools and Collegiate Institute of Kingston, Ont.; his Mus. B. at University of Toronto, 1896; and A. B. from the University of Vermont, 1898. He studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1900, locating in Barre, Vt., in 1896. He was appointed city grand juror, 1901; became state's attorney of Washington County in 1904, continuing to 1906; was a member of Vermont House of Representatives, 1906, and of the State Railroad Commission during 1906-08. The commission, by the legislature of 1908, was changed to a public service commission, with added jurisdiction over other public service corporations, and he was reappointed a member of it. He belongs to the blue lodge of Barre, where he resides. He is also connected with the R. A. Chapter; Council of Royal and Select Masters; Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is enrolled in Vincitia Lodge, K. of P., of Barre, the Vincitia and Canadian clubs of Barre, likewise the Ethan Allen Club of Burlington, Vt.

ZELA ALVIN RICHARDSON

Deceased, was born in Stowe, Vt., January 16, 1842, the son of Dr. Zela and Lucretia Pond Richardson. He attended the public schools of Middlesex, Vt., and was married in Lancaster, N. H., January 8, 1866, to Susan J. White, a native of Bradford, Vt., daughter of William J. and Abigail J. Whitelaw White. Noble Richardson lived at 52 Summer Street, St. Johnsbury, Vt., and at the time of his death, April 18, 1906, had been in the employ of the Fairbanks Scales Co. for a period of forty-four years. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, February 8, 1898; became a Mason, June 22, 1874, by connecting himself with the lodge, and May 24, 1892, entered the K. T. Commandery. He was also affiliated with the New England Order of Protection at the time of his death. In political matters he acted with the Republican Party, and was a member of the Congregational Church.

LEIGHTON P. SLACK

A well-known attorney of St. Johnsbury, Vt., where he has been in practice for fifteen years, his home being at 32 Summer Street, that town. He was born in Woodstock, Vt., June 18, 1867, his parents were Joel B. and Mary Ann Fullam Slack. Noble Slack received his education in the Black River Academy in Ludlow, graduating from there in 1887. He was married, July 11, 1899, to Leah E. Mears, daughter of William H. H. and Emily H. Dwinell Mears of Marshfield, Vt., and they have one child, Ruth Estelle. He is enrolled in Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. In addition he belongs to the Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the Vermont Grand Lodge. He is a Republican, and as such was elected state's attorney in 1898, a state senator in 1904, and president of the village also in the same year.

FREDERICK W. MORSE

A coal merchant of Montpelier, Vt., was born in Duxbury, Vt., September 12, 1844. His parents were Samuel Morse, born December 8, 1809, and Caroline Randall Morse. He went to the public schools of Vermont in 1874, then took up railroading, which he followed for thirty-four years, leaving the railroad to enter the coal business. He is a Democrat, and his religious affiliations are with the Unitarian Church. He was married to Helen B. Kempton, and they have one child, Randall K. Morse. Noble Morse is in Mt. Sinai Temple, and also belongs to Aurora Lodge No. 22; King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He is also a member of the Montpelier Country Club. His home is at 124 State Street, Montpelier.

PALMER E. PAINE

A resident of St. Johnsbury, Vt., at the time of his death, September 23, 1908. He was born March 15, 1838, in Montpelier, Vt., the son of Ezra and Belinda Ornesby Paine, both American born. He attended the public schools of East Montpelier, was a member of the Methodist Church, and affiliated with the Republican Party. He was married twice, both wives have passed on. The first marriage, October 16, 1860, was with Harriet A. Gilbert, daughter of Rev. James J. and Mary Haynes Ruggles Gilbert. She passed away twenty-one years ago. His second wife was the late Mrs. Norton. Four of his children are living. They are Sadie M., now Mrs. Sadie Ainsworth of Woodbury, Vt., aged forty-eight years; Franklin A. and Frederick I. Paine of St. Johnsbury, forty-seven and forty-five years old respectively, and Mattie M., now Mrs. Mattie Church, aged forty-three. Noble Paine belonged to Passumpsic Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in 1901. He held offices in all the lodges and the chapter, having been past master, past high priest, and past thrice illustrious master, and at the time of his death was considered one of the best posted Masons in St. Johnsbury. He was a molder by vocation.

CHARLES A. LANG

A Republican alderman of Montpelier, Vt., since March, 1907, was born in Montreal, Quebec, March 5, 1863, although his parents, Matthew T. Lang and Marie Perry Lang, were native Americans. As a boy, he attended school in the small town of Laselle, Quebec, and soon after moved to the United States. When twenty years old he entered the employ of the Central Vermont Railroad in Montpelier, and acted in the capacity of clerk and general agent from 1883 to 1904. In July of the latter year he became a salesman for the R. C. Barrows Granite Co., which position he now occupies. He is one of the most prominent Masons of Montpelier, being a past master of Aurora Lodge, F. & A. M.; high priest of King Solomon R. A. Chapter; a member of Montpelier Council, R. & S. M., and junior warden in Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1902, and is also a member of the more advanced branches of Masonry up to the Vermont Consistory, 32°. He belongs to the Odd Fellows, the Modern Woodmen of America, the New England Order of Protection, and the Red Men. His favorite pastime is driving. He lives at 10 Langdon Street, Montpelier.

1 FRANK F. BARROWS
2 WILLIAM H. BURBANK
3 EARL E. EVANS
4 SAMUEL HUTCHINS

5 D. C. HORNER
6 BERTRAM J. TRASK
7 CHARLES H. HORTON
8 IRA B. BISHOP

9 HOMER THRASHER
10 LAWRENCE THAYER
11 ROSCOE M. COWLES
12 EDSON N. PIERCE

13 NELSON L. BOYDEN
14 JOHN E. RHODES
15 F. E. SMITH
16 TRUMBULL L. HUNT

CURTIS HENRY BAGLEY

Secretary of the Merchants' Association of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born in that place October 28, 1844, the son of Ira A. and Cynthia H. Hill Bagley, both of American nativity. His mother is living. For several years he was a passenger conductor. He was married in 1865 to Edwina A. Carrick, daughter of John and Lydia Carrick, and they have one child, Blanche Anita, now Mrs. Howard E. Gowan of Lynn, Mass. Noble Bagley lives at 116 Railroad Street, St. Johnsbury. He belongs to Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1903. His religious affiliations are with the Methodist Church, while in politics he is a Republican.

HEBER C. CADY

Of Northfield, Vt., has been treasurer of the Northfield Savings Bank since January, 1901. He has filled many other important positions of honor and trust, including that of justice of the peace, town auditor, trustee of the village of Northfield, Vt., representative from the town in the Vermont Legislature in 1906 and 1907, trustee in Norwich University since 1901 and its treasurer since 1906, treasurer of the Dog River Valley Fair Association, and treasurer of the Congregational Church of Northfield. He was born in Northfield, September 30, 1870, the son of Henry C. and Paulina G. Cady, who is living. He was educated in the Northfield public schools and in Norwich University, graduating from the latter institution in 1891. He was married in Middlebury, Vt., in 1901, to Gertrude H. Lee of that town, and one daughter was born to them in 1902. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in December, 1901, and also belongs to DeWitt Clinton Lodge, of which he is treasurer, King Solomon R. A. Chapter, and Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T.

EDWARD CONNELL

Of Northfield, Vt., was born in that town October 13, 1875, attended the public schools there, and was graduated from the high school in 1897, taking courses in English, Latin, and science. Since 1899 he has been engaged in newspaper and general office work, and is now secretary of the E. B. Ellis Granite Company, accepting that position in 1906. He is affiliated with DeWitt Clinton Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple; likewise belongs to Northfield Lodge of Odd Fellows. He is a Republican, and was chosen village trustee for the term from 1909 to 1911. He has also been a justice of the peace since 1906. His favorite author is Charles Dickens.

JOHN T. AMEY

Engaged in lumbering and considers that the best sport in which he has ever participated is—work. He is a Democrat, was chairman of the New Hampshire State Committee of that party eight years, and sheriff of Coos County in 1892-93. He lives in Lancaster, N. H., but was born in Pittsburg, that State, October 16, 1858. John T. and Emily Haynes Amey were his parents. The mother of Noble Amey is living. He attended the common schools of his native town. The Masonic bodies to which he belongs are North Star Lodge, the R. A. Chapter, and North Star Commandery, all in Lancaster, and Mt. Sinai Temple of the Shrine in Montpelier, Vt.

HIRAM G. SHERMAN

Town clerk of Claremont, N. H., has filled that position the past two years. From 1875 to 1901 he was superintendent of a bleachery in Claremont. He is a veteran of the Civil War, having seen three years' hard service as a soldier from August 1862, to July, 1865. He is the son of Samuel T. and Mary E. Wheeler Sherman and was born in Wayland, Mass., April 5, 1845, where he attended the public schools. He was married, January 1, 1867, to Mary E. Beane, daughter of Joseph and Mary E. Gowan Beane of Sanford, Maine, and they have one child, Elizabeth May, born February 27, 1882. Their home is at 2 High Street, Claremont. Noble Sherman first saw Masonic light in Monitor Lodge of Waltham, Mass., in 1867; Webb R. A. Chapter gave him the Capitular degrees, and the Cryptic degrees came from Columbian Council, R. & S. M. Sullivan Commandery, K. T., chose him its commander, and he is in Mt. Sinai Temple, as well as a member of Claremont Club. In political matters he is a Republican.

GEORGE F. WAY

Of Manchester, N. H., is a traveling salesman of many years' experience, having followed that line since 1887. He was born in Cabot, Vt., October 20, 1847, the son of Jacob Way of Barnet, Vt., and Sophia Edison Way of Northfield, Vt., and received his education in the public schools and Peacham Academy. He likes to hunt and fish in his leisure hours, while he explores the field of general literature in his reading. He was married, October 19, 1871, to Addie B. Corliss, daughter of Aarad and May Addie Page Corliss of Bradford, Vt. They have one child, George F. Way, born March 15, 1875. Noble Way joined in succession Passumpsic Masonic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M., and Palestine Commandery, K. T., while since 1899 he has been one of Mt. Sinai Temple. In politics he is a Republican, and his home is at 35 Market Street, Manchester. His wife is a member of the Eastern Star.

RUSSELL JARVIS

Joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1904. He is a member of Hiram Lodge, F. & A. M.; Webb R. A. Chapter; Columbian Council, R. & S. M., and Sullivan Commandery, K. T.; also gives allegiance to the lodge of Elks in Claremont, N. H., and is a member of Claremont Club, as well as the Massasoit of Springfield, Mass. He is in the paper industry having manufactured it since 1888. He was born in Claremont, N. H., December 19, 1867, and has since resided there; also attended the local public schools, graduating from the high school in 1885. His parents were Russell and Luretta E. Rice Jarvis, the former of Claremont and the latter of Portsmouth. His mother is living. His wife was born May B. Deane of Claremont. His choice of sports are all those outdoors, especially automobiling.

HENRY S. RICHARDSON

Of Claremont, N. H., is a director of the Board of Trade of that place. He was born in Brandon, Vt., September 18, 1873, and received his early education in Kimball Union Academy, graduating from there in 1892. He then entered Dartmouth College, taking the full four years' course, and was graduated in 1896. From 1897 to 1898 he was principal of the Walpole, N. H., High School; then he became principal of the Wells River High School, continuing through 1899. He next took up the study of law with the firm of Smith & Smith of Wells River, Vt., and being admitted to the bar, entered the ranks of the legal profession January 18, 1903. He was married, June 12, 1906, to Valina J. Darling, daughter of Dr. William W. and Lucy Ann Darling of Newport, N. H., and they have one child, Barbara, born April 25, 1907. He is fond of all outdoor sports, but is especially partial to tennis and canoeing. He is a Republican. He was formerly a member of Pulaski Lodge, F. & A. M., but dimitted to Hiram Lodge; is enrolled in the R. A. Chapter at Bradford, Vt.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and the Lodge of Perfection; Council P. of J., and Chapter of Rose Croix of St. Johnsbury, Vt., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, March 18, 1902. He belongs also to the Eastern Star and the Sons of Veterans.

A. GEORGE AMSDEN

Of Enfield, N. H., has been engaged in business there as a merchant dealing in boots, shoes, hosiery, etc., since 1906. Prior to opening there he was six years in Lebanon, N. H., having also been a registered druggist for about twenty years, dating from 1883, during ten years of which he was located in Plymouth, N. H., where he owned a drug store in the Town Hall. He was born in Walden, Vt., in 1858, the son of Abel and Elizabeth L. Hart Amsden. He was educated in the Hardwick, Vt., Academy, graduating from there in 1876. He was married in Manchester, N. H., in 1882, to Olive F. Dunbar of Suncook, N. H., daughter of Lewis and Angie Tuttle Dunbar, the latter a native of Yarmouth, Maine. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in February, 1898, and he likewise belongs to Social Lodge No. 50 of Enfield; Pemigewassett R. A. Chapter, and Omega Council, R. & S. M., of Plymouth, N. H., and Pilgrim Commandery, K. T., of Laconia. He is a member of the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, and worthy patron of Pelham Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. He has a town residence in Enfield and a summer cottage on the shore of Lake Mascoma. He is very fond of power-boating on the lake, being the owner of a fine motor boat. He is a member of the Enfield Board of Trade, also clerk and treasurer of the Enfield Village Fire District. In politics he follows the Republican Party.

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FRANKLIN AUGUSTUS ABBOTT

Retired from the activities of life and is living in Penacook, N. H. He was born in Concord, N. H., August 1, 1835, the son of Hazen Abbott, and early in life affiliated with the Republican Party. He has been selectman, councilman, alderman, and assessor in Ward One, Concord. He was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in Horace Chase Lodge, joined the R. A. Chapter, and was knighted in Mt. Horeb Commandery; also acquired membership in the four bodies of the Scottish Rite, including New Hampshire Consistory, 32°, while his Mystic Shrine affiliation is with Mt. Sinai Temple. He attends the Baptist Church, and has been a deacon forty-six years. His home is in Penacook, N. H., where he learned the cabinet-maker's trade and worked at it more than forty years. He lives winters in New Brunswick, New Jersey, with his only child, a daughter, Mrs. George A. Viehmann. He belongs to the seventh generation in direct line with George Abbott of Colonial fame.

HENRY A. TRASK

Conducts a retail furniture store in Groveton, N. H., where his home is, was employed on the Maine Central Railroad as a fireman and engineer from 1890-96, when he retired to engage in his present business. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., February 25, 1903. Prior to that he had become affiliated with North Star Lodge No. 8, and North Star R. A. Chapter No. 16, of Lancaster, N. H.; Evening Star Council No. 18, R. & S. M., of Colebrook, and North Star Commandery, K. T., of Lancaster. He also belongs to Silver Brook Lodge, K. of P.; Great Eastern Lodge, B. of L. F.; Division 40, B. of L. E., and the Royal Arcanum.

JOHN ROBERTS

A woolen manufacturer of Claremont, N. H., and has been a member of the firm of A. Roberts & Co. the past twelve years, having become connected with it in 1897. He was born in Batley, England, January 24, 1862, the son of Alexander Roberts and Jane Booth Roberts, both of England. His father and mother are still living. He was married, November 15, 1888, to Miss Martha E. Coupe, daughter of Hartley Coupe of Lawrence, Mass., and they have one child, Salena J. Roberts, born July 25, 1891. Noble Roberts likes to hunt and fish in season. He is a Republican, is a member of Hiram Lodge; Webb R. A. Chapter; Columbian Council, R. & S. M.; Sullivan Commandery, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple. He likewise belongs to Sullivan Lodge of Odd Fellows.

EDWARD A. DENNIS

Of Nashua, N. H., was born in Williamstown, Mass., December 25, 1848, the son of Andrews Dennis, a native of New York State, and Hannah E. Osgood Dennis, a native of Cabot, Vt. As his parents passed on when he was quite young, he was reared by an uncle and aunt, attended the Cabot public schools and graduated from the high school there. He was married in May, 1878, to Fannie E. Chamberlain, daughter of Joseph R. and Mary Richards Wyman of Nashua. He and his wife are members of the Congregational Church. He is both a stockholder and a director of the French & Heald Co., furniture manufacturers, and has been a traveling salesman for the company since October, 1889. Previous to that date the concern was a partnership, and Mr. Dennis traveled for the firm twenty-four years, until the death of the senior member, when it was made a stock company. Noble Dennis belongs to Rising Sun Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Meridian Sun R. A. Chapter; Israel Hunt Council, R. & S. M.; St. George Commandery, K. T.; Aaron P. Hayes Lodge of Perfection; Oriental Council, P. of J.; St. George Chapter of Rose Croix; New Hampshire Consistory, 32°, and entered Mt. Sinai Temple, February 25, 1903. He is also a member of Granite Lodge of Odd Fellows, and of Nashenon Encampment, the Grand Lodge and the Grand Encampment of New Hampshire, and of the Commercial Travelers' Benefit Association, as well as of the order of Pilgrim Fathers. In politics he is a Republican.

A. I. DAVIS

Of Walpole, N. H., was born in Landgrove, Vt., February 14, 1875, and attended the public schools of Springfield, Vt., graduating from the high school there in 1892, and is now engaged in the business of druggist. His parents, E. C. and Irene M. Tuttle Davis, are both living. He belongs to St. John's Lodge No. 41, Springfield, Vt., Ashuelot R. A. Chapter; Hugh de Payens Commandery, K. T., of Keene, N. H., and Mt Sinai Temple. He was married to Helen P. Bullard, daughter of Edwin M. Bullard, a druggist of Keene, N. H. In politics he is a Republican.

JAMES E. ELLIS

Of Claremont, N. H., was born in Weathersfield, Vt., October 13, 1863. His parents were Elias W. Ellis, and Harriet S. Rice. He was educated in the schools of Windsor and Ludlow, Vt., and Dartmouth College. October 12, 1887, he was married to Nellie C. Boynton, daughter of William H. and Harriet A. Newell Boynton. They have one child, a daughter, Marion B., born March 14, 1890, in Southbridge, Mass. He has been in the hardware business since 1884, and his present connection is as a member of the firm of Boynton & Ellis, hardware merchants. He belongs to Hiram Lodge, F. & A. M.; Webb R. A. Chapter; Columbian Council, R. & S. M., and Sullivan Commandery, K. T., in all of which bodies he has been recorder or secretary; also to Concord Lodge of Perfection; Concord Council, P. of J.; Nashua Chapter of Rose Croix; New Hampshire Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. In politics he is a Republican, and his religious belief is Congregational.

JOHN C. PATTEE

Of North Stratford, N. H., is the son of Rev. Moses Pattee of Stanstead, Quebec, born in September, 1811, and Clarissa Robinson Pattee, born in Holland, Vt., in 1809. He was born November 30, 1848, in Brownington, Vt., and received his education in the district schools and Colebrook Academy. He was married to Mira Cross of Colebrook, N. H., daughter of Rufus and Ann Hall Cross of Bridgewater, N. H., November 2, 1873. They have two children: Neal D., and Ethelyn M. After filling the position of clerk from 1870 to 1881, he became a merchant on his own account in the latter year, continuing as such ever since. He is a Democrat, and was in the Vermont Legislature in 1874-75, when he was the youngest member of that body. He has also been treasurer of Coos County and postmaster from 1884 to 1900. He belongs to Island Pond Lodge; North Star R. A. Chapter; Evening Star Council, R. & S. M.; North Star Commandery, K. T., and New Hampshire Consistory. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1894, and is connected with the Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Knights of Honor, and the Patrons of Husbandry.

FRANK WEBSTER EVANS, M. D.

Of North Stratford, N. H., was born in Sweden, Oxford County, Maine, August 20, 1868. His father was John H. Evans, a native of Sweden, Maine, and his mother, who is living, is Lydia C. Tucker Evans, born in Portland, Maine. He attended the Bridgton, Maine, Academy, and graduated from Dartmouth College in 1897. He was married, June 12, 1901, to Olive L. Beecher of North Stratford, whose father, Victor C. Beecher, was a native of Canada, and her mother, Amanda Mulliken Beecher, a native of Barnett, Vt. Their children are: Beatrice Leona, born September 27, 1905, and John Beecher, born April 3, 1908. He belongs to Evening Star Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Colebrook, N. H.; North Star R. A. Chapter of Lancaster, N. H.; Evening Star Council, R. & S. M., of Colebrook; North Star Commandery, K. T., of Lancaster, N. H.; North Star Lodge of Perfection of Lancaster, N. H.; Washington Council, P. of J., of Littleton, N. H.; Littleton Chapter of Rose Croix; New Hampshire Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of Cumberland Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Bridgton, Maine; Stratford Lodge, K. of P.; the Coos County Medical Society; the New Hampshire Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. He is an Episcopalian, and a Republican in politics.

GEORGE A. CROSS

Of Northfield, Vt., is a native of the province of Quebec, Canada, where he was born June 4, 1865. He is engaged in the granite manufacturing business, and has been since 1889. His father, Thomas W. Cross, is a native of Canada, as is also his mother, who was Esther Donoughy. Both are living. Noble Cross belongs to DeWitt Clinton Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple; is also a member of the I. O. O. F., a past grand of the encampment, and belongs to Montpelier Lodge No. 924, B. P. O. E. He was married, October 19, 1895, to Miss Elva M. Baker, daughter of Joseph Baker of Northfield. He is a Methodist.

FRANK C. MOSHER

Of Island Pond, Vt., was born in Lowell, Mass., June 29, 1855, the son of Richard Mosher, who was born in Barnston, province of Quebec, February 22, 1828, and Maria Rothwell Mosher, a native of Ireland, born April 10, 1838, his mother alone survives. He received a common school education, and October 27, 1880, was married to Jessie F. Morrill, of West Charlston, Vt., daughter of Alfred Morrill, a native of Danville, Vt., and Lucia Wheeler Morrill, who was born in Barnston, Quebec. His wife died February 21, 1907, leaving him with one child, Curtis H. Mosher, born January 22, 1899. Two children died in infancy. Noble Mosher is connected with the United States customs service, but prior to that he had been a clerk and bookkeeper. He belongs to Island Pond Lodge, F. & A. M.; Keystone R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; the council P. of J. at Montpelier, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also past grand of Essex Lodge of Odd Fellows of Island Pond and past thrice illustrious master of Vermont Council No. 20, R. &. S. M. He attends the Congregational Church.

JOHN T. CUNNINGHAM

A well-known farmer of Lyndonville, Vt., has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple for over twenty-one years, the date of his admission to the nobility being June 12, 1889. He was born, September 2, 1840, on a farm in Lyndon, and has devoted his whole life to the noble work of tilling the soil, being one of the stalwart farmers of the vicinity of Lyndonville. That he has been eminently successful goes without saying, and there are few men more popular in his neighborhood. The popularity of Noble Cunningham does not stop with Lyndonville, for he is widely known over a large section, and particularly in St. Johnsbury. He has long been devoted to Masonry, and is a member of Passumpsic Lodge No. 27, of St. Johnsbury, in which he was made a Mason. He was exalted to the degree of the royal arch in Haswell Chapter No. 11, also of St. Johnsbury, and admitted to the ninth arch in Caledonia Council No. 13, R. & S. M., located at St. Johnsbury. The Order of the Temple and appended orders of knighthood he received in Palestine Commandery No. 5, of St. Johnsbury. Noble Cunningham is a frequent visitor to Mt. Sinai Temple and enjoys greatly the ceremonial work of the order.

EDWIN E. ROBINSON

A lumber merchant of Byars, Oklahoma, where he has been conducting an extensive yard from 1903 up to the present time. He is a native of Calais, Vt., and was born September 29, 1835. His parents were John and Hannah Taylor Robinson. He attended the public schools of Northfield, Vt., and the Morrisville Academy. He is a veteran of the Civil War, having served three years in the Union Army, from September, 1860, to September, 1863. He is a member of Aurora Masonic Lodge, F. & A. M., as well as chapter, council, commandery, a Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple; is also past high priest in Tirrell R. A. Chapter in Oklahoma. In politics he is a Republican. He is unmarried, and a diligent reader of daily and weekly papers.

PHIL S. CLARK

Of Lyndonville, Vt., is a native of Morristown, Vt., where he was born April 30, 1869. His father was Samuel B. Clark, and his mother Martha M. Swett, born in 1829, is still living. He attended the Hyde Park public schools and has followed railroading for twenty-six years, having been first with the St. Johnsbury & Lake Champlain Road from 1883 to 1890. He is now train dispatcher with the Boston & Maine Railroad. He is a member of Crescent Lodge of Lyndonville; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Haswell Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, March 24, 1895. He was married to Miss Ellie Watson of Lyndonville. In politics he is a Democrat, and is a member of the Lyndon and Abenaqui clubs. He is fond of outdoor sports, being especially devoted to hunting and fishing.

BERTRAND E. BULLARD

A member of the legal profession and began general practice about January 1, 1891. While he believes in the principles of the Democratic Party, he is not a politician in the strict sense of the word, and only held a local office, without emolument, as a duty of citizenship. He was born in Eden, Vt., March 16, 1860, his father being Edwin Bullard, a native of Hyde Park, that State, who was born May 1, 1837; his mother's maiden name was Olive Harrington, and her birthplace Eden, January 24, 1840. Both are living. His paternal ancestry may be traced to William Bullard (1), from Kent, England, to America in 1630, where he was assigned land in Dedham, Mass., in 1636; Isaac (2), William (3), Edward (4), all of Dedham; Edward, Jr. (5), of Amherst, N. H.; Daniel (6), and Edwin (7), both of Hyde Park, Vt. He graduated from the State Normal School in 1880; his previous training was in the Hyde Park and Johnson schools. He is affiliated with Caspian Lake Lodge of Hardwick, Hiram R. A. Chapter of the same place, and Lamoille Commandery of Morrisville. As a Pythian he is connected with Union Lodge of Hardwick. He belongs to Hardwick Lodge, I. O. O. F. January 1, 1890, he was married to Ida C., daughter of Isaac and Charlotte Holmes Patch, of Johnson, Vt. He has one child, Cabot L. While not an adherent to any particular faith, he favors all good Christian religions and delights in fishing and boating. Noble Bullard is in Mt. Sinai Temple, and his residence is Hardwick.

ALBERT M. JEWETT

A resident as well as a native of Claremont, N. H., and was introduced to the camel in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1904. He conducts a grocery and garage and took up the former line fifteen years ago. He was born February 3, 1872. His father, Marcus L. Jewett, passed to the great beyond eighteen years ago, and his mother, who was born Laura J. Clark, followed thirteen years after. Noble Jewett gives allegiance to Hiram Lodge; Webb R. A. Chapter; Columbian Council, R. & S. M., and Sullivan Commandery, K. T. He was united in marriage in September, 1897, to Miss Eleanor M. Bonney. His chief diversions are motoring and reading.

HERBERT E. MOORE

Well known as a hotel proprietor of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born in that place October 19, 1860, the son of James and Emily S. Morgan, both Americans, the mother is now living. He attended the public schools of St. Johnsbury, and was married to Bertha A. Douglas of Concord, Vt., June 24, 1908. His political affiliations are with the Republican Party. He is very fond of riding and driving, and knows a good horse when he sees one, having been in the livery business for some time, as well as being the landlord of a hotel. He is a member of Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1898.

EDMUND J. KING

Residing at 93 Eastern Avenue, St. Johnsbury, Vt., is a restaurant keeper, but has been interested in farming and various other pursuits. He is of French extraction, was born February 16, 1854, and attended the public schools of Charlestown. His father is John B. King, and his mother, was Zoey Greenwood. He was married to Effie Hitchcock, daughter of P. S. and Mary Hitchcock, at Barton, Vt., but is now a widower. There are two children: Clifford, born in 1895, and Raymond, born in 1898. He has membership in Orleans Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; and Palestine Commandery, K. T. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1906.

CHARLES A. STANLEY

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., has conducted a furniture and undertaking business there for the past twenty-one years. He was born in Barnet, Vt., April 13, 1853, the son of Lymon and Laura Ann Way Stanley, and was educated in the Barnet public schools and McIndoe's Academy. In 1879 he was married to Elizabeth Johnson of Ryegate, Vt., daughter of John Johnston. His eldest son, Johnston Stanley, is a graduate of Cornell University. The other children are: Edgar C., Marion E., Jean L., and Charles L. Noble Stanley's chief pastimes are hunting and fishing. He entered Freemasonry by joining Passumpsic Lodge, then going to Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and lastly Mt. Sinai Temple, receiving the Shrine degree in 1904. In addition he is a member of the Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias, and is grand master for Vermont of the New England Order of Protection. In political matters he is a Republican.

ARTHUR G. SPRAGUE

A member of the firm of W. W. Sprague & Son. He is a past master of Passumpsic Lodge No. 27, F. & A. M.; a member of Haswell R. A. Chapter No. 11; a past master of Caledonia Council, R. & S. M., and a member of Palestine Commandery No. 5, K. T. He is also a member of Mizpah Lodge of Perfection of the Scottish Rite, and secretary of Mizpah Lodge.

SIMON D. ATWOOD

Of Mt. Sinai Temple, hails from St. Johnsbury, Vt., and was born in Hopkinton, N. Y., September 8, 1863. His parents were Rev. Mark and Lovina Davis Atwood. He attended the schools of Lyndon and Lyndon Institute, and was married in St. Johnsbury, in 1899, to Loraine Way, whose parents were Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Simpson. They have one child, Dale S. Atwood. Noble Atwood is a Republican. He is connected with these Masonic bodies: Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter, as well as the Council of Royal and Select Masters, and Palestine Commandery, K. T., of St. Johnsbury. In Pythianism he is affiliated with the lodge and Uniform Rank of the same town. His business is that of caterer, while his favorite pastime is automobiling.

REV. WALTER DOLE, A.M., D.D.

Of Northfield, Vt., a minister of the Universalist Church, was born August 26, 1851. He was graduated from Norwich University in 1870, and then took a course in theology in the Meadville, Penn., Theological School, and also a course in the Boston School of Oratory. His parents were Christopher Sargent Dole of Danville, Vt., and Harriet Howes Dole of Chelsea, Vt. Dr. Dole was married, January 13, 1886, in Enfield, N. H., to Fannie F. Dodge, daughter of John W. and Clementine Chandler Dodge of Hanover, N. H. They have three children: John W., born November 23, 1891; Mary C., born October 21, 1894, and Robert H., born November 5, 1898. Dr. Dole is very fond of mountain climbing, and likes to read everything that is good in the line of literature. For the past two winters he has been to Florida as pastor of a church which is attended largely by people who go there from the North for the winter months. He belongs to several Masonic bodies in Enfield, N. H., and is a member of Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also in the Eastern Star of Northfield, and a lodge of Odd Fellows at Enfield, N. H., as well as belonging to Theta Chi Fraternity.

CHARLES A. PLUMLEY

Of Northfield, Vt., was born there, and after attending the public schools entered Norwich University, from which institution he was graduated in 1896. His father is Frank Plumley, and his mother was Lavinia L. Fletcher Plumley. He is a Republican, and at present holds the position of clerk of the Vermont House of Representatives. He has also been assistant clerk of the House, assistant secretary of the State Senate, and was secretary of the French-Venezuela Mixed Commission, when that body was in existence. For four years he was principal of the Northfield High School. He was captain of Company F., V. N. G., for a year or more. He is now a practicing attorney. He belongs to DeWitt Clinton Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, the latter since 1904. He is also a member of the Odd Fellows and the Elks. August 22, 1900, he was married to Emilie A. Stevens of Manchester, N. H., and they have three children: Allan R., Evelyn S. and Fletcher D.

HORACE W. LYFORD

Born in Montpelier, Vt., February 18, 1835, the son of Hazen and Electa White Lyford, and attended the public schools of the State capital. Later he removed to the town of Warren, where he at present resides. He is proprietor of the Lyford House, the local hotel, and also conducts a general insurance business. Noble Lyford has been a prominent resident of Warren for many years, having been sheriff from 1872 to 1876; assistant judge from 1888 to 1892; justice of the peace for thirty-eight years, and a member of the legislature in 1908 from his town. He is a Republican. September 9, 1858, he was married to Miss Sarah R. Vincent, daughter of John and Sarah Vincent of Montpelier. They celebrated their golden wedding more than a year ago. Although nearly seventy-five years old, he is in excellent health and is very fond of the great American game of baseball. He has been more than fifty years a Mason, joining Aurora Lodge in Montpelier, July 25, 1859. He became a member of King Solomon R. A. Chapter, March 20, 1862; of Montpelier Council, R. & S. M., September 17, 1867, and of Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., March 25, 1875, less than two years after it was instituted. He has been in Mt. Sinai Temple since March 14, 1890, practically twenty years.

WILLIAM A. SHAW

The local forecaster for the United States weather bureau at Northfield, Vt., a position he has filled since 1888. He was born in Northfield, July 25, 1864, of American parentage, his father being William O. Shaw and his mother Elizabeth A. Kingsley Shaw. He received his later education in Norwich University, graduating from that institution with the class of 1888, and at once entered upon the weather bureau work, in which he is now engaged. He was married, July 28, 1890, to Fannie E. Holt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Holt of Woodstock, Vt., and they have two children: Heber E., born in 1893, and Ethel L., born in 1897. Noble Shaw is a member of DeWitt Clinton Lodge No. 15; King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. In political matters he acts with the Republican Party.

FRED C. MARSHALL

A farmer of Morrisville, Vt., was born in Stowe, Vt., September 10, 1855. His father, Ira M. Marshall, was also born in Stowe, while his mother, who was Mary L. Jackson, is a native of Brome, province of Quebec. Both parents are living. Noble Marshall was married in Richford, October 24, 1889, to Rachel Westover, daughter of L. A. and Mary Gillen Westover of Brome, province of Quebec. His wife is dead, and he has one child, Mary M. Marshall, born December 9, 1902. He is a member of Mt. Vernon Lodge; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple, to which he was admitted July 2, 1908. He attends the Universalist Church, and in political affairs is a Republican.

JOEL S. DODGE, M.D.

A well-known practicing physician of Warren, Vt., was born in East Montpelier, Vt., October 28, 1848, his parents being Nathan H. and Miranda R. Bass Dodge. He received his early education in the schools of East Montpelier, and Randolph, Vt., later entering the University of the City of New York for the study of medicine, graduating from that institution in 1878, with the degree of M. D. He then began the practice of medicine in Lincoln, Vt., continuing in his profession there twenty-two years, between 1878 and 1900. He also taught school seven or eight winters. While practicing in Lincoln he was elected to represent the town in the Vermont Legislature in 1892, as an Independent. June 20, 1868, he was married to Fannie M. Andrews, and they have one son, Ernest Dodge, who now, at the age of forty, is a farmer in Lincoln. In 1907 he went to Florida and practiced for a while in Carleton and New Smyrna, that State, later going to Cuba, where he became interested in some plantations. Then he returned to Warren. He belongs to Bristol Lodge; Bristol R. A. Chapter; Vergennes Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Calvary Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, joining the latter on November 15, 1894. He is also affiliated with the Odd Fellows. In political matters he classes himself as an Independent.

JAMES S. WILSON, JR.

A native of Worcester, Vt., where he was born March 11, 1872, the son of James S. and Philura A. Brown Wilson. He attended the schools of his native town, and after leaving school took up the occupation of a granite letterer, which he has since followed. He is unmarried, and attends the Congregational Church. His home is now in Barre, Vt., where he is a member of the Vincitia Club. He belongs to Granite Lodge No. 35, F. & A. M.; Granite R. A. Chapter No. 26; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and entered Mt. Sinai Temple No. 3, November 13, 1900. He holds the rank of past high priest and past commander in chapter and commandery respectively.

JOHN P. EMSLIE

Now residing in Pleasantville, N. J., where he is superintendent of a retail monumental works, was born in Aberdeenshire, Scotland, February 2, 1869, the son of Alexander and Eliza Patterson Emslie. Only his mother survives. He was married in Barre, Vt., December 26, 1899, to Minnie B. Riley, daughter of Thomas S. and Grace E. K. Riley. They have one child, William R., born August 20, 1901. Noble Emslie is of the Presbyterian faith. He is fond of the games of baseball and football, and devotes much time to the reading of history, fiction and books of travel. He was engaged in the business of granite manufacturing from 1898 to 1903, and entered upon his present position in 1906. He belongs to Operative Lodge No. 150 of Aberdeen, Scotland; Granite R. A. Chapter, of which he is past high priest, and St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., of Barre, Vt. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple, April 27, 1905. He is also a member of Clan Gordon, Order of Scottish Clans.

LINFORD S. BELL

Of St. Albans, Vt., who is a locomotive engineer with the C. V. Railroad Co., was born in Franklin, Vt., April 14, 1882, and attended the public schools of St. Albans, graduating in 1897. His father, Sewall A. Bell, and his mother, Ida E. Smith Bell, are both living. He was married, September 27, 1909, to Miss Anna E. Wightman, daughter of Thomas E. and Agnes Douglas Wightman of Stanbridge, province of Quebec. Both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Church. Noble Bell belongs to Haswell Lodge of Sheldon, Vt.; Champlain R. A. Chapter; Lafayette Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered in March, 1908. He is also a member of Enosburg Falls Lodge, I. O. O. F.; Harmony Rebekah Lodge of the same place; Green Mountain Division 330, B. of L. E., of St. Albans, and Pioneer Division, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen of Springfield, Mass. Baseball and football are his favorite sports, and he is a diligent reader of history.

HOMER B. LOVERIN

Of Rutland, Mass., was born of American parentage in Franklin, Vt. January 24, 1850, and is the son of the late Hiram D. and Jane E. Hall Loverin. He was graduated from the St. Albans High School in 1870. He was married to Miss Carrie A. Butler, New Year's Day, 1877. They have two children: Stella E. and Guy H. He belongs to the Episcopal Church, and is a Republican politically. Farming is his business. He is affiliated with the following Masonic bodies: Frontier Lodge, F. & A. M., of Franklin; Lafayette R. A. Chapter, and Lafayette Commandery of St. Albans. He is also in Mt. Sinai Temple.

CHARLES H. HAINES

Born in Cabot, Vt., August 27, 1864, his parents being Ira F. and Emilie A. Hoyt Haines, both natives of Cabot also. He was educated in the public schools of Cabot and St. Johnsbury Academy. October 4, 1893, he was married to Miss Minnie L. Arms, daughter of Philo and Ann E. Eddy Arms of Duxbury, Vt., and they have three children: C. Everett, Curtis A., and Craig B. Haines. Noble Haines was in the grocery business in Waterbury, Vt., from 1893 to 1907. In October, 1908, he moved to Nashua, N. H., and became a member of the firm of the Allton Grocery Co., where he is now living. He belongs to Winooski Lodge No. 49, and R. A. Chapter No. 24, Waterbury, Vt.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Montpelier, which he joined in 1905. He is also a member of Mentor Lodge No. 5, I. O. O. F.; Emerald Rebekah Lodge No. 33, and Queen Esther Chapter No. 7, O. E. S., of Waterbury. For eight years he was secretary of the Washington County Republican Committee. His religious preference is Congregational.

CHARLES H. NEWELL

Resides in St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born August 23, 1881, in Danville, Vt., the son of Frank L. and Lydia Holmes Newell, both of American birth, and living. He attended the public schools of St. Johnsbury, graduating from the high school in 1902. He at once entered the mercantile line of business, and for the past six and a half years has been connected with J. S. Weeks in a clerical capacity. He is a member of the Congregational Church, and ranks himself as an Independent in politics. He belongs to Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in 1908. He has not yet joined the ranks of the benedicts.

WILLIAM H. WARD

A carpenter of St. Johnsbury, was born in East Jaffrey, N. H., August 4, 1839, and attended the public schools of East Hardwick. His father was Jonathan Ward and his mother Adeline Hodges. He was married, October 1, 1868, to Sarah A. Stone of St. Johnsbury, and they have one child, Mabel H., born June 14, 1889. In his religious belief he is Congregational, and is a Republican in politics. His home is at 17 Spring Street, St. Johnsbury.

SAMUEL DANA PARKER

Of Newport, Vt., is a native of Lowell, Vt., and was born July 10, 1876. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple, May 13, 1903. His Masonic connections embrace membership in Siloam Lodge, and Burning Bush R. A. Chapter, both of Connecticut, and Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., of Vermont.

VICTOR N. DEMING

Born in Cornish, N. H., July 17, 1867, and attended the public schools of that place. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Deming of Cornish, and is a widower. His wife was Mary A. Bishop, formerly of Claremont, N. H. They had one child, Katherine M. Deming, born November 29, 1892. His parents are Congregationalists. Politically he is Independent. He has been associated in farming ten years, lumber business three years, and railroading for four years, but connected with the United States Mail Service on R. M. S. for the past twelve years. He takes much interest in the general news of the day, and his favorite sport is fishing. He resides in Bellows Falls, Vt. He is affiliated with King Solomon Lodge, F. & A. M.; Abenaqui Chapter, R. A. M.; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M., and Holy Cross Commandery, K. T. He was made a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1903. He is also a member of Westminster Club of Bellows Falls.

EDMUND CARLETON BOLLES

The son of Francis Almon and Augusta R. Carlton Bolles of Rockingham, Vt., and the date of his birth was October 27, 1873; the place, Bellows Falls, Vt. His graduation from the high school there took place in 1893. He became manager of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. at White River Junction in 1894. He changed his business relations to the Bellows Falls National Bank, of which he became teller in 1905. His wife was Miss Mertie G. Barrus of Keene, N. H., daughter of John Barrus, and their only child, Carlton Francis, was born June 24, 1898. Noble Bolles enjoys outdoor sports. He is a Republican. He is connected with United Brotherhood, Masonic Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter, and Holy Cross Commandery. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1908. He is a member of the Westminster Club of Bellows Falls.

ORRIN RANSOME BUELL

A native of Wilmington, Vt., his postoffice address is Springfield, Mass. His parents are John R. Buell of that town and Mary E. Field Buell, a native of Chesterfield, N. H., both of whom are living. He attended the public schools of Wilmington, Vt., from 1878 to 1891. He was for several years engaged as a monumental dealer in his native town, since which time he has been a commercial traveler, and is now a representative of a Boston concern selling lumber. January 14, 1908, he was married in Manchester, Vt., to Mildred E. Benedict of that town, daughter of William Henry and Sarah E. Cook Benedict, both of Manchester, Vt. His religious faith is Universalist. He is a member of Social Lodge No. 38 of Wilmington, Vt.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter No. 12; Connecticut Valley Council No. 16, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery No. 7, K. T., of Brattleboro, Vt., and Mt. Sinai Temple of Montpelier, Vt. He was district deputy grand master of the eighth Masonic district of Vermont from 1903 to 1905. He is a member of the Commercial Travelers' Club of Springfield, Mass. His favorite sports are baseball, horses and hunting.

J. S. WEEKS

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., has been a merchant in business for himself in that town since February 8, 1898. He was born in Danville, Vt., May 17, 1863, the son of Charles F. and Ann Somers Weeks, and received his education in St. Johnsbury Academy and Eastman's Business College, graduating from the latter. He was married to Ella W. Williamson, daughter of Leslie Williamson, February 4, 1903. Noble Weeks is a member of Passumpsic Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection, and of Mt. Sinai Temple. He was admitted to the latter in 1898. He is also past grand patron of the Order of Eastern Star of Vermont.

BEAMON A. BOWKER

Of Bloomfield, Vt., has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1896. He was born at Barnston, province of Quebec, November 24, 1845, the son of Solomon Bowker and Emily Redway. He removed to Vermont while a mere youth, and settled at Bloomfield, where, February 19, 1867, he married Alma Shoff, daughter of Daniel Shoff and Fanny Stevens. His early manhood was spent in agricultural pursuits, but for the past eight years Noble Bowker has been agent for a fire insurance company of Montpelier. He was brought to light in Masonry in Island Pond Lodge No. 44, and was exalted in North Star Royal Arch Chapter No. 16. The cryptic degrees he received in Evening Star Council, Royal and Select Masters, at Colebrook, N. H., and he was knighted in North Star Commandery No. 3, Knights Templar, in Lancaster, N. H. The Scottish Rite degrees were also taken in New Hampshire, and he is a member of New Hampshire Consistory. Noble Bowker is also a member of the Knights of Pythias; Stratford Lodge No. 30; of Essex Lodge of Odd Fellows, and of the Grange. He is a Democrat in politics. His favorite recreation is hunting and fishing, while he delights to read good hunting stories.

WILLIAM SMITH

Treasurer of the Springfield, Vt., Savings Bank, is a native of Cavendish, Vt., where he was born November 19, 1860. His father, William Smith, and his mother, Isabel Proctor, were born in America. She was born on the Fourth of July, 1823, and is still living. Noble Smith was educated in Dartmouth College, from which he graduated in 1881. He was married, January 19, 1887, to Flora A. Brown. He belongs to St. John's Lodge; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Springfield Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter in 1901. His home is on Pleasant Street, Springfield. He attends the Congregational Church, and in politics acts with the Republican Party.

C. H. McCAULEY

Of West Derby, Vt., is a piano salesman and also manager of the Bailey music rooms in that town, having been engaged in that line since 1893. He was born in Waterville, Quebec, September 6, 1867, and attended the public schools of Sherbrooke, province of Quebec, graduating from the Central School there in 1884. His parents, both born in the year 1844, are still living. They are of English birth. His father is James McCauley, and his mother Anna Lloyd McCauley. He was married, in September, 1889, to Rose Parker, the daughter of Rev. Alvin and Martha Parker. They have three children: Gladys, Parker, and Reginald. Noble McCauley is a Baptist, and a Republican. He is a member of Lodge No. 44; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Malta Commandery, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He likewise belongs to the Eastern Star.

F. G. HINMAN

Resides in Worcester, Mass., is a native of New Hampshire, having been born in Groveton, that State, April 3, 1874. His father and mother, still living are George Hinman, born in Northumberland, Vt., and Eliza Davis Hinman, a native of Portland, Maine. Noble Hinman attended the public schools, and after leaving, he entered mercantile life. From April 1, 1902, he has been connected with the H. W. John's Manville Co. of Boston. He was married in Berlin, N. H., in 1893, to Miss Mary Cooper, daughter of Joseph W. and Emily Carpenter Cooper of Colebrook, N. H., and they have two children: a son, born in 1895, and a daughter, born in 1897. He is connected with Evening Star Lodge of Colebrook; Evening Star R. A. Chapter, and North Star Commandery, K. T., of Lancaster, N. H.; Worcester Lodge of Perfection; Goddard Council, P. of J., of Worcester; Lawrence Chapter of Rose Croix of Worcester; Massachusetts Consistory of Boston, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He attends the Congregational Church; votes with the Republican Party; is very fond of gunning, and devotes his spare hours to the reading of general literature.

WILLIAM H. BECKWITH

A member of Mt. Sinai Temple, entered the Unseen Temple in 1907 at Post Mills, Vt. For four years he acquired membership. He had the distinction of going to the front in 1861, when only seventeen years old, so that he just attained his majority when the Civil War closed. He went out in Company B, First Regiment of Connecticut Calvary. He was born in Boston, Mass., March 26, 1844; educated in that city, and then moved to Connecticut. In 1879, Noble Beckwith became an Evangelist, and was engaged in gospel work in Manchester, N. H., later becoming pastor of the Congregational Church in Eden, Vt. The last five years of life his health did not permit of active service, but he always enjoyed all kinds of religious work. He was married November 11, 1879, to Emma L. Guild. He was the son of John Beckwith, and his mother was born Rebecca Whittemore. He was knighted in the commandery at Montpelier; belonged to the R. A. Chapter in Bradford, Vt., and his blue lodge was in Fairlee, Vt.

CHARLES E. CARUTH

Of East Charleston, Vt., was born in Chicopee, Mass., August 1, 1851, and received the principal part of his education in the Magog high school. His parents were Benjamin Caruth, born in Rygate, Vt., and Abigail Morse Caruth, born in Morgan, Vt. Noble Caruth was in business as a custom miller and dealer in feed from January 1, 1881, to September 18, 1905. In politics he is a Republican, and has been town clerk and treasurer of Charleston ever since 1896. He was married in Derby Line, Vt., December 15, 1875, to Alice Bly of East Charleston, daughter of John and Ann Katherine Bly, his wife's father being a native of Brownington, Vt., and her mother of Waterford, Vt. He belongs to Island Pond Lodge; Keystone R. A. Chapter; Vermont Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; the Newport, Vt., Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He also is a member of Essex Lodge of Odd Fellows of Island Pond.

C. H. KATHAN

Of Rock Island, Quebec, began mercantile pursuits in 1856. His place of birth was Compton, Quebec, and the date April 3, 1835. He attended school in Manchester, graduating in September, 1849. His parents were Hollis and Susan W. Lord Kathan. For the last four years he has been in a partnership, the firm name being Kathan & Hopkins, and their place of business Rock Island, province of Quebec. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in 1895, previous to which he became enlisted in the ranks of Golden Rule Lodge, F. & A. M.; Golden Rule R. A. Chapter, and Sussex Commandery, K. T. He belongs to the Scot Fish and Game Club and the Columbian Club. He is fond of fishing and hunting. He is a Methodist, and a follower of the Conservative Party.

JACOB M. SALOMON

A merchant of Groveton, N. H., was born there April 6, 1878, and attended the public schools, graduating from the high school in Lewiston, Maine, in 1897. His father, Charles Salomon, was a native of Germany, born in 1833, and his mother's maiden name was Frances Bloch. She was born in 1853. He was married in Boston, October 21, 1903, to Lena B. Towle, daughter of Walter and Cora Bunker Towle of Lewiston, Maine, and they have three children: Frances, Marguerite, and Noel. Noble Salomon is fond of the game of baseball, and likes to fish, while his reading embraces all branches of literature. He belongs to North Star Lodge, F. & A. M.; North Star R. A. Chapter; Littleton Lodge of Perfection; Littleton Council, P. of J.; Littleton Chapter of Rose Croix; Nashua Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter in 1903. He began business in 1897, and conducts two stores in Groveton and one in Littleton. In politics he is a Republican.

LYMAN BROOKS

A resident of Rockport, Texas, was born in Charlestown, N. H., June 16, 1878. He attended the Vermont Academy, and it required only three years to graduate, that event taking place in 1896. His parents are Nathaniel G. Brooks of Acworth and Emma Preston Brooks, born in Baltimore, Vt. They are still living. He is a grain dealer, and entered upon that business in 1900. He was a member of the last constitutional convention of New Hampshire. He believes in Republicanism. He is an attendant at the Episcopal Church. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1903, and prior to that year joined Faithful Lodge of Charlestown, following that with his entrance into Webb R. A. Chapter, and Sullivan Commandery of Claremont, N. H. His chief pastime is tennis. Noble Brooks has been in Mexico and Texas for the past two years. He was married to Emma L. Ford of Tyler, Texas, December 30, 1909.

ALEXIS ROBERT CAMPBELL

A successful watchmaker and jeweler of Morrisville, Vt., was born January 3, 1855, at Fayston, Vt., the son of Robert Campbell and Cordelia Grandy, the former a native of Fayston and the latter of Reading, Vt. He was educated in the district school and at Derby Academy. He married, at Island Pond, Vt., May 1, 1879, Delia Idella Lang, daughter of George W. Lang of East Charleston and Cordelia A. Young of Waterford, Vt. One child, a daughter, was born in 1880, who died at the age of sixteen. Noble Campbell has been engaged in the watchmaking and jewelry business in Morrisville since 1890. He is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His favorite pastime is the art of angling. Noble Campbell is a member of Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 8, F. & A. M.; Tucker Council No. 15, R. A. M., and of Lamoille Commandery No. 18, Knights Templar. He is also a member of Coral Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, and of Lamoille Grange, Patrons of Husbandry.

FRANK O. KENNEDY

A resident of Rochester, Vt., and is a native of Granville, Vt., where he was born August 9, 1864. He is the son of Orlando E. Kennedy and Helen Sterlin-Kennedy. His father is no longer living. Educated in the Granville schools, he was graduated from the high school in 1882 and afterwards located in Rochester. Since 1900 Noble Kennedy has been a member of the firm of Farr & Kennedy, lumber manufacturers, of Rochester. He was married at Waitsfield, September 8, 1888, his bride being Ida A. Holt of Moretown, Vt. He is a member of the Universalist Church. Motoring and football are the favorite sports and pastimes of Noble Kennedy, and he is an enthusiast over both. He was brought to light in Masonry in Rural Lodge No. 29 of Rochester, and was exalted in Farmers' Royal Arch Chapter No. 9 of Brandon, Vt., and was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9 of Montpelier. He was admitted to the nobility of Mt. Sinai Temple in December, 1905.

CLARENCE WARD PLUMMER

Manager of the Clarence W. Plummer Co., druggists, at Lakeport, N. H., has served in some capacity in the same store since April, 1888, when he began as a clerk for Joseph L. Odell. In October, 1892, he, with Walter F. Thompson, purchased the business from Mr. Odell and continued under the firm name of Plummer & Thompson until 1904, when Mr. Thompson died. Mr. Plummer conducted the business under the firm name of Clarence W. Plummer until the spring of 1908, when a stock company was incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire as above, with Mr. Plummer as manager. Prior to locating in Lakeport he was associated with E. D. Steele & Co. in the clothing business at St. Johnsbury, Vt., for about a year. He was born in Tilton, N. H., March 9, 1865, and was educated in the public schools of his native town and at the N. H. Conference Seminary of Tilton. His parents were Benj. Ward Plummer, born at Rindge, N. H., and Sarah Emily Huse Plummer, born at Thornton, N. H. He represented Ward 6, Laconia, N. H. (the Lakeport Ward), in the New Hampshire Legislature in 1897-98, and also served from the same ward as a member of the Laconia City Council for four years from 1904 to 1908. In politics he is a stanch Republican, his favorite reading being historical, biographical, and scientific works. His church is the Protestant Episcopal. He is evolved in Mt. Lebanon Lodge, of which he is junior warden; Union R. A. Chapter; Pythagorean Council, R. & S. M.; Pilgrim Commandery, K. T., all of Lebanon, and Mt. Sinai Temple, joining the latter in 1895. He likewise is a member of Chorocua Lodge of Odd Fellows of Lakeport, and the Laconia Lodge of Elks. He was married, December 5, 1889, to Clara M. Gage of St. Johnsbury, Vt., daughter of Josiah and Maria A. Poland Gage of that city. They have no children. His favorite sport is hunting.

CHARLES F. PARTRIDGE

Of Woodstock, Vt., was a clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal Church from 1885 to 1904, filling pastorates in several Vermont towns. At present he is a traveling representative for Rand, McNally & Co.'s school books. He was born October 25, 1858, in Springfield, Vt., the son of Harvey F. Partridge, born in Alstead, N. H., May 16, 1823, and Phila Hurd Partridge, a native of Newport N. H. He was married in Burlington, October 25, 1879, to Eliza J. McBride of that place, daughter of Archibald McBride, a native of Ireland, and Fidelia Hood McBride of Champlain, N. Y. They have three children: Lily Kate, born July 26, 1880; Pearl Edwin, October 31, 1890, and Mildred Mabel, March 20, 1895. Noble Partridge and his wife are members of the Congregational Church. He belongs to Vermont Lodge No. 18 of Windsor, Vt.; Whitney R. A. Chapter No. 5 of Randolph; Vermont Commandery No. 4, K. T., of Windsor; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J., and Delta Chapter of Rose Croix of Burlington, and also Vermont Consistory, 32°. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple, April 21, 1899. He was assistant chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Vermont from 1898 to 1906; grand representative of Peru near the Grand Lodge of Vermont since 1900; assistant grand chaplain and later grand chaplain of the Grand R. A. Chapter of Vermont since 1900. He attended the public schools of Springfield, Vt., graduating in 1873. Then he took a course in the U. V. M. Medical College in 1877, and also various correspondence courses. In addition to his Masonic connections he is past grand in Quechee River Lodge of Odd Fellows.

FRANK H. MINER

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., has been engaged in railroad engineering from 1875 up to the present time, and is now connected in that capacity with the St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain Railroad. He was born in Lyman, N. H., on August 4, 1853, the son of John P. and Caroline Underwood Miner. He was educated in the Lyman public schools and Peacham Academy. He was married, March 30, 1820, to Ida B. Watson, daughter of Arthur and Susan LaSalle Watson of Swanton, Vt., and they have one son, Dr. James LaSalle Miner, born December 25, 1882, a graduate of the medical department of the University of Vermont, and now engaged in the general practice of medicine. Noble Miner belongs to Passumpsic Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; a commandery, and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined October 20, 1890. He is a Republican, and a member of the Congregational Church.

WALTER BRYANT NOYES

Resides at Farnham, province of Quebec, and while a native of Canada lived in New England for a number of years and joined the Masonic bodies in this country. He was born in Montreal, September 1, 1871, but was educated in Saginaw, Mich., where his parents, Walter B. Noyes and Elizabeth Ryder Noyes, removed when he was quite young. He came to New England in 1893 and was employed by the Boston & Maine Railroad Company, being stationed at Amherst, Mass., and Windsor, Vt. He is now yardmaster of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Farnham, Que. He married, at Windsor, Vt., October 18, 1899, Eva Sarah Newman, daughter of Henry Newman and Sarah Putnam, by whom he had two children: Hilda Eva, born December 11, 1903, at Windsor, and Catherine Adele, born March 19, 1907, at Granboro, Quebec. Noble Noyes is a member of the Unitarian Church. He is fond of his home and of reading, and his favorite sport is hunting. He was made a Mason in Pacific Lodge of Amherst, Mass.; was exalted at Windsor Royal Arch Chapter No. 6 of Windsor, Vt.; received the cryptic degrees in Windsor Council, Royal and Select Masters, and the Templar Order in Vermont Commandery No. 4 of Windsor. He is a member of Windsor Lodge of Perfection; of the Scottish Rite; of Joseph W. Roby Council, Princes of Jerusalem; Delta Chapter; Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory of Burlington, Vt. He was admitted to the nobility of Mt. Sinai Temple, April 28, 1904.

JOHN O. MILLER

Engaged in the furniture trade in Claremont, N. H., is the son of William and Martha Davis Miller, both Americans. He was born November 16, 1849, and attended the public schools of Chester, Vt. He was married to Eliza J. Hitchcock, daughter of S. S. and Fidelia Hitchcock of Putney, Vt. He is a constant reader of all that is best in the leading magazines. He was engaged for some time in the stove and plumbing business before entering the furniture line. He is a member of Olive Branch Lodge of Chester, Vt.; of Webb R. A. Chapter; Columbia Council, R. & S. M.; Sullivan Commandery, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered in 1904. He is affiliated with the Republican Party, and is a member of the F. F. C. Book Club.

WILLIAM HENRY FEARON

Of Lawrence, Mass., has been engaged in the business of a cracker salesman for the long period of forty-one years. For the past twelve years he has been connected with the National Biscuit Co. He is a native of Canada, where he was born September 6, 1841, at Huntingville, Quebec, and attended the common schools there. His parents, also natives of Canada, were Jacob Campbell Fearon and Sally Hunting Fearon. He was married, November 28, 1871, in Worcester, Mass., to Ellen W. Lyon of Lawrence, Mass. Her father was Calvin Lyon of Tolland, Conn., and her mother Cynthia Currier Lyon of Methuen, Mass. They have one child, Sarah May, who was born May 4, 1873. Their home is at 54 Cross Street, Lawrence. Noble Fearon in his reading likes light literature and that treating on current events. He belongs to Grecian Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Lawrence; Mt. Sinai R. A. Chapter; Bethany Commandery, K. T.; St. Johnsbury Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He likewise is a member of United Brothers Lodge of Odd Fellows, and of Kearsarge Encampment. He is a Republican.

WILLIAM A. WHITCOMB

A member of Smith, Whitcomb & Cook Co., manufacturers of machinery, of Barre, Vt., since 1879. Prior to that year he was engaged in the machinery business for five years. He was born in Barre, September 6, 1854, both parents being Americans. His father, William Elbridge Whitcomb, was born November 4, 1826, while his mother, Harriet O. Wood, was born August 9, 1832. He was educated in Barre Academy, and is unmarried. He is connected with Granite Lodge No. 35; Granite R. A. Chapter No. 26; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and entered Mt. Sinai Temple, December 9, 1898. He is a member of the Vincitia Club of Barre, and has been a great traveler, having made extended journeys through the South, also to California, Porto Rico, and Jamaica. He is a Republican, and attends the Congregational Church.

K. LONGFELLOW CLEAVES

Of Montpelier, Vt., was born in Addison, Maine, November 1, 1867. His father was B. F. Cleaves; his mother, Angeline Longfellow Cleaves, is still living. He received his education in Philadelphia, graduating in 1890. Since then he has followed the profession of dentistry. In politics he is a Republican, and is a member of the State Dental Examining Board. He belongs to a craft lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; King Solomon Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a member of the Apollo Club. His wife's maiden name was Harriet Foster. They have two children: Foster and Paul Cleaves, born 1899 and 1901 respectively. His favorite form of recreation is automobiling.

JOSEPH G. BROWN

Ex-mayor, ex-alderman, and the present postmaster of Montpelier, Vt., is a native of that city where he was born, November 21, 1866. He is the son of Andrew C. Brown, born July 10, 1828, still living at the age of eighty-one, and Lucia A. Green Brown, born in May, 1830. Both were of American birth. He attended the Washington County Grammar School. He was formerly in the insurance business and a manufacturer. He is a Republican, and as such was elected an alderman in 1899, and served as mayor of Montpelier for the years 1900 and 1901. He has been postmaster since 1906. His wife is Helen W. Brown, and two children have been born to them: Ruth L. and Chandler W. His home is at 22 Summer Street, Montpelier. Noble Brown belongs to Aurora Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter in 1906. In addition he is a member of Vermont Lodge of Odd Fellows; of the N. E. O. P.; M. W. A., and A. O. F., and past exalted ruler of Montpelier Lodge of Elks, as well as being on the roll of the Apollo and the Montpelier County clubs. He is fond of autoing, golfing, hunting, and fishing. His religious connection is with the Unitarian Church.

ADELBERT C. BLANCHARD

Of Montpelier, Vt., is much interested in fraternity and club life. He is connected with the gas company in the city where he lives. He is president of the Blanchard Block Co. of Barre, and vice-president of the Blanchard Granite Co. He holds membership in the Apollo Club, Country Club, Lake Mansfield, and Trout clubs, as well as in the Fish and Game League of Vermont. His favorite diversion is fishing and automobiling. He was born, September 30, 1858, in Barre, and studied at Goddard Seminary there. His parents were Kimball and Celinda Walker Blanchard. He was married to Velina J. Cheney, daughter of Lucina I. Cheney of Barre, and they have one child, Rollo Kimball Blanchard, a student of Cornell University. In addition to enrollment in Mt. Sinai Temple, he belongs to Granite Lodge, F. & A. M.; Granite Chapter, R. A. M.; King Solomon Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. Like the majority of other Vermonters he is a Republican. He attends the Unitarian Church.

WILLIAM J. TINDALL, M.D.

A physician of Montpelier, Vt., has been engaged in the practice of medicine since 1897, first in Burlington, then in New York City, and then in Williamstown. He was born, June 15, 1866, the son of William J. Tindall, Sr., and Sarah O'Riley Tindall, both natives of England. His father is still living. After graduating from the Burlington High School, he entered the medical department of the University of Vermont, graduating from there with the class of 1897 and receiving the degree of M.D. His wife is Mrs. Barbara E. Tindall, and they were married in New York City, September 30, 1900. They have one child, William York Tindall, born March 7, 1903. Dr. Tindall is a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and medical director of the temple. He also belongs to Aurora Lodge No. 22; King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T.; Haswell Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. His home is at 8 Loomis Street, Montpelier.

BURT M. SHEPARD

A merchant of Montpelier, Vt., entered the mercantile business as a boot and shoe retailer in 1884, and established the B. M. Shepard Co., of which he is proprietor, in 1898. He was born in Marshfield, Vt., May 3, 1864, of American parents; his father, Charles E. Shepard, was born in 1837, and his mother, Clarine English, was born in 1839. Both his parents are living. He attended the Marshfield district school. Noble Shepard belongs to Aurora Lodge No. 22; King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7; Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America, and the Apollo Club of Montpelier. His home is at 20 Pearl Street, Montpelier. He has always, since reaching manhood, been a strong Republican. He attends the Unitarian Church.

WILLIAM C. BERRY

Deceased was born in Boston, July 31, 1862, his parents being Parker H. and Adeline Sparks Berry. He attended the schools of Middletown, Mass. From 1885 to 1897, with the exception of a few years in the grocery business, he was employed in the office of the Montpelier & Wells River Railroad, leaving there in 1897 to become a clerk in the office of the Vermont Mutual Fire Insurance Co. in Montpelier. There he remained up to a short time preceding his death, which occurred on May 15, 1907. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple, December 1, 1897. He belonged to Aurora Lodge. He had also been president of the Apollo Club of Montpelier. He was a devotee of the game of golf.

MASON S. STONE

Of Montpelier, Vt., served as superintendent of education of that State from December 1, 1892, to December 1, 1900; went to Manila, P. I., in 1901, as superintendent of schools; returned to Vermont in 1905, and was reappointed State superintendent August 1 of that year. He is a native of Waterbury Center, Vt. After attending the elementary schools of that place he became a stutlent in People's Academy at Morrisville, Vt. He next entered the University of Vermont, graduating from that well-known institution. His father, Orson N. Stone, who was born in Eden, Vt., January 26, 1828, has passed on, but his mother, Candace Mason Stone, born in Craftsbury, Vt., December 25, 1823, is still living at the age of eighty-six. He was married in Brooklyn, N. Y., April 6, 1904, to Alma Gertrude Wright, daughter of Russell M. Wright, a native of Easthampton, Mass., born December 17, 1815, and Caroline Branch Wright, born in Castleton, Vt., May 21, 1825. He is a member of the Congregational Church, and acts with the Republican Party in political matters. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple, July 2, 1908. He likewise belongs to Mt. Vernon Lodge, F. & A. M.; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Lamoille Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He is connected with the Odd Fellows, the Grange, the Delta Psi Society of the University of Vermont, and the Montpelier Country Club.

WALTER P. SCOTT

Engaged in the granite manufacturing business for some years, is at present connected with the firm of E. A. Bugbee & Co. of Barre, Vt., as junior partner. He lives in Barre, his home being at 102 Orange Street, that city. He was born September 7, 1882, in Sherbrooke, province of Quebec, the son of John and Elizabeth Young Scott, both natives of Scotland. His mother alone survives. He received his early education in the local schools of Barre. He belongs to Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, his membership in the temple dating from 1907. He is also a member of Clan Gordon of Barre.

JACK W. ROGERS

A boot and shoe merchant of Montpelier, Vt., has been connected with the firm of B. M. Shepard Co. of that city since 1901. He was born in Walden, Vt., February 13, 1875, of American parents: John B. and Julia D. Hill Rogers. Only his mother survives. He attended the public schools of Walden. He belongs to Aurora Lodge No. 22; King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America, and of the Elks, as well as of the Apollo Club of Barre. Fishing is his favorite pastime. He belongs to the Unitarian Church, and in politics is a Republican. His home is at 18 Barre Street, Barre.

FRANK L. BURBANK

A watchmaker and jeweler of Montpelier, Vt., was born July 23, 1879, in Saco, Maine, the son of Horace H. and Elizabeth Thompson Burbank. His mother alone survives. He was educated in the public schools of his native town and Thornton Academy in Saco, from which he graduated in June, 1898. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., December 10, 1909, prior to which he had become affiliated with Aurora Lodge No. 22; King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M., and Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T. He is a member of the Apollo Club of Montpelier, and is a Republican. He attends the Unitarian Church, reads largely in current literature, and is fond of all branches of sport. Noble Burbank is unmarried, and is located at 8 State Street.

FRANK T. WILSON, JR.

Of Barre, Vt., was born March 11, 1872, in Worcester, Vt., the son of James S. Wilson, who was born in 1836, and Philura A. Brown Wilson, born in 1840. His parents are living. He attended the Worcester graded schools and took up the work of lettering and engraving on granite, which vocation he has followed since 1890. He belongs to Granite Lodge; is past high priest in Granite R. A. Chapter; past commander of St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.; a member of Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and entered Mt. Sinai Temple, November 13, 1909. He attends the Congregational Church, is a Republican, and is a member of the Vincitia Club of Barre. He likes camp life and good fishing. He is not married, his home being at 3 Eastern Avenue, Barre.

CHAUNCEY M. WILLEY

Of Barre, is active in secret society work, but especially in the Knights of Pythias, to which order he is much devoted, though by no means putting it second to Masonry. He was born October 25, 1869, at Northfield, Vt., the son of Oscar S. Willey and Abbie D. Willey. He completed the course in the public schools and entered Dartmouth College, taking up the study of medicine, but after two years' study of that science decided to abandon it for a business career. Accordingly, from 1893 to 1901 he was engaged in the granite business in Barre and Buffalo, N. Y., and from 1901 to 1905 in the shoe business in Barre, the firm being Tilden & Willey. He sold his interest to his partner at the end of January, 1905, and entered the National Bank of Barre, of which he is teller. Noble Willey married at Northfield, Vt., March 27, 1895, Jennie L. Morse, daughter of James Morse and Augusta Gold of Northfield. They have one son, Chauncey Morse Willey, born May 6, 1906. Noble Willey is a member of the Congregational Church. His favorite recreation is golf. He is a member of Granite Lodge No. 35, F. & A. M.; Granite Chapter R. A. M., both of Barre; Montpelier Council, R. and S. M., and St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11, K. T. of Barre. He was made a Noble of Mt. Sinai Temple, April 27, 1905. He is past grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias of Vermont; colonel of the First Regiment, uniform rank, Knights of Pythias; royal prince of Suadah Temple, Dramatic Order, Knights of Khorassan, and is past patron of Ruth Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. He is a member of the Barre Golf Club and the Vincitia Club.

WALLACE W. HOWE

Of Montpelier, Vt., was born in Fayston, Vt., December 2, 1868, and after attending the public schools took a special course in a business college. He is the son of William and Maria E. Billings Howe; only his mother survives. He was married, May 30, 1894, in Waitsfield, Vt., to Edna E. Ferris, daughter of John Ferris, a native of Ireland, and Eliza McKinzey Ferris. He is now a widower, his wife having died about two years ago, leaving him with two adopted sons, Ferris E. Howe, born January 1, 1906, and Tracy Fayette Howe, born January 1, 1907. Noble Howe is a Republican, and served as a representative in the Vermont Legislature from Bolton in 1906. He was formerly in the lumber manufacturing and the general merchandise business, but since August 23, 1909, has been agent at Montpelier for the Prudential Life Insurance Co. He belongs to Mad River Lodge, F. & A. M.; Waterbury R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and entered Mt. Sinai Temple, May 18, 1908. He attends the Congregational Church, is fond of mountain climbing and traveling, and devotes much of his spare time to reading historical works.

CHARLES H. McRAE

Of Brattleboro, Vt., is a successful clothing merchant of that place. He was born in Winchendon, Mass., on the Fourth of July, 1867. His father is Farquhar McRae, a native of Scotland, born November 25, 1829, and his mother Rhoda Lovell McRae, an American, born March 4, of the same year. Both of his parents are still living at the ripe old age of eighty. He was educated in the public schools of Putney, Vt., and at Cushing Academy. He is a great lover of hunting and fishing. He was married, December 2, 1894, to Harriet Davis, daughter of Warren and Sophia Perry Davis of Putney. He acted in the capacity of a clerk in various clothing and dry goods stores for some years, finally establishing business for himself in 1904. He is a member of Golden Rule Lodge of Putney; Trinity R. A. Chapter of Willimantic, Conn.; Connecticut Valley Council, A. A. O. N. M. S., and Beauseant Commandery of Brattleboro. He is likewise a past sachem in the order of Red Men; a member of the Vermont Wheel Club, and a Republican in politics.

OSMAN D. CLARK

Secretary of the National Life Insurance Company of Montpelier, Vt., in which city he also resides, at 161 State Street, is a native of Montpelier, having been born, November 26, 1855, the son of John W. and Anne B. Dewey Clark, both native Americans. His father was born September 14, 1830, and his mother, who still lives, June 1, 1833. Noble Clark attended the public schools of Montpelier, after which he entered Amherst College, graduating with the class of 1876. While in that institution he was admitted to the Chi Phi fraternity. After leaving college he studied law, and was admitted to the bar in 1879. For the twenty years between 1882 and 1902 he served as a member of the Montpelier Republican City Committee, also putting in four years on the State Central Committee. He was trial justice from 1880 to 1884. In 1885 he became connected with the National Life Insurance Company as assistant secretary, and after fourteen years in that capacity was chosen secretary of the company, having held that position now more than ten years. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in 1898, and prior to that had become connected with Aurora Lodge, of which he has been senior steward and junior deacon; was scribe of King Solomon R. A. Chapter; a member of Montpelier Council, R. & S. M., and warden in Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T. He is an ex-president of the Apollo Club, and belongs to the Country Club of Montpelier. He was first married to Elizabeth Atkins some years ago, and two children were born to them: DeWitt A. Clark, who was graduated from Amherst College with the class of 1909, and Barbara Clark, who attended Goddard Seminary. August 14, 1902, he was married to Miss Lucy H. Jacobs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Jacobs of Montpelier. His favorite form of sport is the game of golf. In religion he is an Episcopalian.

CLARENCE H. KENDRICK

Engaged in the business of a druggist in Barre, Vt., since 1905. He was born in Lebanon, N. H., March 29, 1874, both his parents being Americans. His father was Harlan Kendrick; his mother, whose maiden name was Ella M. Huse, is still living. He attended the Lebanon schools, and was married to Miss Emma Cooley of Montpelier, Vt., September 18, 1907. He belongs to Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a member of the Vincitia Club of Barre. He is a Republican, and his home is at 15 Wellington Street, Barre.

JAMES MACKAY

City Clerk and treasurer of Barre, Vt., is a native of Aberdeen, Scotland, where he was born, March 14, 1861, the son of William and Isabella Stevenson Mackay, both of Scotch birth. His father was born in 1814, and his mother in 1817. He attended school in Scotland, and was married, January 1, 1885, to Agnes Law Robertson of Dumfermline, Scotland. They have three sons and one daughter: William K., James R., George F., and Hazel Isabel. Noble Mackay belongs to Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; St. Aldemar Commandery, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He journeyed over the burning sands in 1903. He is a Republican, and belongs to the Presbyterian Church.

GEORGE S. BUXTON

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., is a member of Mt. Sinai Temple of the Mystic Shrine; King Solomon Temple Lodge, and also chapter, council and commandery. He is recorder of his council and senior warden in the blue lodge. He belongs to the Bon Heur Club. He was born in Langdon, N. H., March 23, 1879, the son of M. S. and Elizabeth Morrison Buxton. His father is living. He attended the public schools of Peterboro, N. H., and Bellows Falls, Vt., and since January 19, 1899, has occupied a position with the Vermont F. M. Co. His marriage took place June 10, 1907, to Nellie M., daughter of J. H. and Maria Wright. He attends the Congregational Church. His political faith is Republican.

DENNISON COWLES

Of Brattleboro, Vt., was born in Westfield, Mass., August 27, 1864, and attended the public schools of that town. His father, Rodney C. Cowles, born November 4, 1836, is living; his mother was Eliza P. Kellogg. He has been in the hardware business since 1883. He was married to Lucie Brackett of Brattleboro, and they have two children: Adele and Dennison. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & A. S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Edward Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also in the Odd Fellows and the Red Men. He is a Republican, and a member of the Vermont Wheel Club. His religious belief is Congregationalist. Automobiling is his favorite form of recreation.

ALBERT H. CHANDLER

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., was born there June 27, 1867. His father, who is living, is Austin N. Chandler of Chester, Vt. His mother was Lizzie Hadley. He attended the public schools of Chester, and was married, October 11, 1905, in Richmond, Vt., to Adah B. Edwards, daughter of George A. and Ellen Howe Edwards of Richmond. They have one child, Austin Edwards, born October 7, 1907. Noble Chandler's religious faith is Episcopalian. He has been connected with the Bellows Falls Trust Co. since the date of its organization in 1902. For twelve years previous to that time he was with the National Bank of Bellows Falls. He belongs to Olive Branch Lodge of Chester; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a member of the Westminster Club. Fishing and boating are his favorite pastimes, and he is interested in all outdoor sports.

MARTIN JAMES McGOWAN

A well-known resident of Barre, Vt., where he is engaged in the grocery business, was born in St. Johnsbury, Vt., August 25, 1860, and attended the public schools there. His father was John McGowan, a native of Ireland, and his mother was Honora Muldooney McGowan. For eleven years he was a railroad conductor, and a member of the Democratic State Committee from 1900 to 1908. Noble McGowan is in Granite Lodge, F. & A. M., and also belongs to Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He was admitted to the latter body in 1905. He was married to Annie McIver, January 17, 1885, and they have one child, John James McGowan. Hunting is the only form of sport that Noble McGowan favors.

LESLIE I. WALKER

Of Hartford, Vt., and has been a merchant there and in Plymouth, Vt., from 1889 up to the present time, was born in Woodstock, Vt., May 22, 1856, and attended the public schools there. His father, David T. Walker, was born November 16, 1828, and his mother, Harriet J. Palmer Walker, on June 6, of the same year. Only his mother survives. He was married, September 18, 1878, to Minnie S. Pinney, daughter of Henry Fiske and Maria P. Mann Pinney. Two of their three children are living. They are: Henry David, born January 16, 1880, and Clayton Albert, born June 23, 1884. The third child, Verna Louise, born October 6, 1893, was called home, March 14, 1897. Noble Walker belongs to Vermont Lodge; Windsor R. A. Chapter; Vermont Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, joining the latter in 1908. He is likewise a member of Progressive Grange, P. of H., of Hartland, Vt.; of Keystone Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, of Ludlow, Vt., and of the Unitarian Men's Club of Windsor. He served as a selectman in 1901-2 in Plymouth.

DWIGHT E. MASON

Assistant postmaster of Montpelier, Vt., was born in Swanton, Vt., October 11, 1857, the son of Orville D. and Lucie Everest Mason. His mother alone is living. He attended the graded schools of his native town. For twenty-six years he was a telegraph operator, and during twelve years of the time filled the position of manager of the telegraph office. He was appointed assistant postmaster September 1, 1904. He is in Mt. Sinai Temple, and belongs to Aurora Lodge No. 22; King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7; Montpelier Council No. 7, R. & S. M., and Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T. He is also a member of the Apollo Club of Montpelier. He is a devoted follower of baseball. His political affiliations are with the Republican Party, while he attends the Congregational Church. His home is at 38 Summer Street, Montpelier.

JOHN A. HARRINGTON

City treasurer of Vergennes, Vt., since 1898, and also secretary of the Board of Trade of that city, is a hardware merchant of many years' standing. He was born in Weybridge, Vt., October 5, 1861, and attended the public schools of his native town. His father, G. L. Harrington, was born in New Haven, June 5, 1822, and was assistant judge of the Addison County Court in 1882-4. His mother, whose maiden name was Emma E. Washburne, was born in Montpelier January 8, 1835, and is still living. Noble Harrington went to Vergennes, November 6, 1883, as a clerk for C. A. Booth & Son. He was admitted as a member of the firm, April 1, 1892. At the death of C. A. Booth in 1897 he bought a half interest in the business with Mr. Booth's son, W. W. Booth, who died in 1898, since which time Noble Harrington has successfully built up the business, becoming sole owner in 1908. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple April 12, 1889. He is past master in Dorchester Lodge, the oldest in Vermont, chartered September 3, 1791; past high priest in Jerusalem R. A. Chapter, the oldest in the State, chartered in 1805; past thrice illustrious master in Vergennes Council, R. & S. M., also the oldest council in Vermont, chartered in 1818; a member of Mt. Calvary Commandery No. 1, K. T.; Haswell Lodge of Perfection, 14°; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J., 16°; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°, and Vermont Consistory, S. P. R. S., 32°.

FREDERIC W. SHERBURNE

A well-known practitioner of Osteopathy, residing at 382 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, is a member of Mt. Sinai Temple, whose entrance to the nobility was made in the class of September 14, 1888. He was born in Pittsfield, Vt., March 13, 1860, the son of Joseph Amory Sherburne and Miranda Barrows. He was educated in Montpelier Seminary, and then entered the American School of Osteopathy, from which he was graduated in 1898. Dr. Sherburne married, at Waitsfield, Vt., January 1, 1884, Lola Wilson, daughter of Francis Wilson and Laura C. Gilman of Waitsfield. Since his graduation he has been practicing his profession in Boston. Dr. Sherburne was made a Mason in Granite Lodge of Barre, Vt., and was exalted in Granite Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, also in Barre. He was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in St. Aldemar Commandery, Knights Templar, located at Barre.

HENRY J. BECK

Crossed the "burning sands" in Mt. Sinai Temple of the Mystic Shrine March 15, 1901. Prior to that date he attained membership in Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter, and Palestine Commandery. He is affiliated with Caledonian Lodge, I. O. O. F.; is past chief patriarch in the Encampment, and past captain of the Canton, P. M. He is past master of the local grange, and past master of Shepherd Pomona. He has been a scale maker eighteen years in the Fairbanks works. He was born in St. Johnsbury, attended the public schools there, and graduated in 1890. The date of his birth was December 22, 1873, and his parents, who are both living, are John and Veronica Beck, natives of Germany. He was married, July 16, 1901, in St. Johnsbury, to Carrie, daughter of William and Alfreda McLaughlin. He is Independent in politics, and his favorite amusement is boating.

VIRGIL E. AYERS

A wholesale and retail lumber merchant of Barre, Vt., was born February 17, 1855, in Plainfield, Vt., and received his education chiefly in Barre Academy, graduating from there in June, 1874. His parents were William M. Ayers, born November 21, 1824, in Plainfield, and Jane S. Hooker Ayers, who was born in Peacham, Vt., November 8, 1833. He was married, December 21, 1878, to Lizzie E. Jones of Tunbridge, Vt., daughter of Merrill and Elvira Nichols Jones, the latter a native of Reading, Mass. They have three children: Maud L., born July 19, 1872; Bessie J., born August 25, 1874, and William C., born May 24, 1876. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., December 13, 1901. He is also connected with Granite Lodge No. 35; Granite R. A. Chapter No. 26; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He is a member of the Vincitia Club of Barre, a Republican, and attends the Methodist Church. Hunting and fishing are his favorite pastimes, while in his reading he is fond of works on travel and adventure.

WILBUR H. HERRICK

Of Springfield, Vt., is a native of Reading, Vt., the son of George and Sarah A. Staples Herrick, and his father is living. He was born December 1, 1865, and attended the public schools of Springfield, taking up the trade of machinist, which he has ever since followed. He has been foreman for the Jones & Lamson Machinery Co. from 1903 up to the present time. He was married, May 14, 1890, to Miss Helen F. Higgins, whose father, William H. Higgins, was a native of Henrietta, Ohio, and her mother, Delia N. Hatch Higgins, a native of Bridgewater, Vt. Both he and his wife are Universalists. He is affiliated with St. John's Lodge; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. Other orders to which he belongs are the Odd Fellows, Eastern Star, Rebekahs, and New England Order of Protection. He is a Republican.

JOHN W. HOLTON

Of Springfield, Mass., was born in Wilbraham, Mass., July 24, 1853, the son of Henry and Almira Clark Holton. His father, a native of Winchester, N. H., was born July 15, 1825; his mother, who was born in Wilbraham, July 11, 1835, is still living. He was educated in the public schools and Tilton Academy. He has been twice married. His first wife, to whom he was married May 27, 1878, was Addie E. March of Brattleboro, Vt., and his second marriage was to Julia E. Palmer of Boston, a member of Trinity Episcopal Church of that city. His children are Leigh H., born May 12, 1879; Grace May, born April 12, 1882; John W., Jr., born January 5, 1884, and Raymond M., born December 11, 1887. Previous to removing to Springfield he conducted a jewelry business in Barre, Vt., from 1898 to 1904. He was admitted from Granite Lodge of Barre to Esoteric Lodge of Springfield, and is now chaplain of the latter. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple, December 11, 1903, and belongs to Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. Noble Holton joined Hampden Lodge of Odd Fellows of Springfield in 1883, and is now a member of Hiawatha Lodge of Barre, Vt. His home is at 150 Harvard Street, Springfield, and he attends the Universalist Church.

CHARLES ROBERT ALDRICH, M.D.

Joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1901, is connected with the Masonic Lodge at Brattleboro, Vt.; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter, and Beauseant Commandery, K. T. He also holds membership in the Vermont Wheel Club and Board of Trade, and is an associate member of Vermont Boat Club. His political affiliations are Republican. He is in general medical practice and has been staff pathologist in Brattleboro Memorial Hospital. Noble Aldrich was born in Brattleboro, October 29, 1878, attended the high school, and afterwards the Baltimore Medical College, from which he graduated in 1901. His parents are Charles Brewster and Mary Rudd Aldrich. He was married, September 19, 1905, to the adopted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Greene. He is of the Episcopal faith, and enjoys fishing, hunting and autoing.

FRANK F. BARROWS

Of Burlington, Vt., has been a commercial traveler for the N. K. Fairbanks Co. of Chicago from September 25, 1902, up to the present time. He is a native of Vassalboro, Maine and was born April 29, 1872, the son of William H. Barrows, a native of Boston, and Eliza M. Davis, who was born in Jackson, Maine. His mother alone survives. He was educated in the Oak Grove Seminary and at Burdett's Business College in Boston. October 22, 1905, he was married in Haverhill, Mass., to N. Gertrude Carde, daughter of Joel and Rebecca Hall Carde of Bowdoinham, Maine. He and his wife are members of the Congregational Church. Their home is at 104 North Willard Street, Burlington. Noble Barrows belongs to Washington Lodge of Burlington; Tervernet R. A. Chapter, and St. Omer Commandery, K. T., of Waterville, Maine, and became a member of Mt. Sinai Temple, May 13, 1903. He is, too, senior counselor of the U. C. T., a member of Burlington Lodge of Elks, of the Ethan Allen and the L. C. Y. clubs; the United Commercial Travelers' Club of Burlington, the Algonquin Club and Lake Champlain Yacht Club. He has been promoted by his firm as manager of N. K. Fairbanks sales department at Minneapolis, Minn. He follows the Republican Party.

FRED D. LESURE

Of Fitchburg, Mass., is a native son of Vermont, and has been a noble of Mt. Sinai Temple since November 1, 1901. He was born at South Royalton, September 24, 1865, and was educated in the Winchester, N. H., high school. He removed to Fitchburg, Mass., where he joined Charles W. Moore Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and was exalted in Thomas Royal Chapter, also of Fitchburg. The order of knighthood he received in Hugh De Payens Commandery, Knights Templar, at Keene, N. H., where he is also a member of the Lodge of Perfection and Council of Princes of Jerusalem, of the Scottish Rite, located at Keene. Noble Lesure married at Bristol, Conn., September 29, 1887, Nellie E. Woodbury of Winchester, N. H. They reside at 14 Longwood Avenue, Fitchburg, Mass., and his place of business is at 26 Broad Street in that city. He is a member of the firm of Tram & Lesure Company, wholesale confectionery, of Fitchburg, and also of the firm of Woodbury & Lesure, house furnishers, of Winchester, N. H. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, belonging to Lodge No. 98 at Fitchburg. Living as he does in Fitchburg, Noble Lesure is not frequently seen in Mt. Sinai Temple, but he is as devoted to the Shrine as he is to Masonry, and is always glad to attend a ceremonial session when his business will permit.

T. W. FLETCHER

A farmer of Bridport, Vt., was born in that town October 31, 1856, his parents having been Norman A. and Charlotte White Fletcher. After attending the public schools he took a course in the Vermont Episcopal Institute. He was married in Middlebury, Vt., June 12, 1878, to Cora A. Langworthy, daughter of William C. and Frances Amelia Stearns Langworthy of Middlebury. They have three children: Breta, born March 13, 1880; Gertrude, born November 10, 1881, and Norman Albert Fletcher, born August 22, 1890. He is chief rabban of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., having joined the temple, June 12, 1888, and also belongs to Morning Sun Lodge No. 5 of Bridport; Potter R. A. Chapter No. 22, and Mt. Calvary Commandery, K. T., both of Middlebury. He is, too, a member of Pierpont Lodge, Knights of Pythias of Vergennes, and the Lake Champlain Yacht Club. Yachting is his favorite sport. In his religious belief he is an Episcopalian.

FRANK W. SPAULDING

Of West Bridgewater, Vt., is a native of Sherburne, Vt., and was born November 22, 1860, the son of George B. and Mary J. Aiken Spaulding. His father was born August 23, 1822, and his mother March 1, 1836. He attended the public schools of his native town. September 12, 1882, he was married in Woodstock, Vt., to Minnie L. Spaulding, daughter of Dean D. and Mary M. Madden Spaulding, and they have one child, Mabel L. Spaulding, born May 8, 1889. Noble Spaulding conducted a general store in Sherburne from 1883 to 1894, and was also postmaster of the town from 1888 up to 1896. He belongs to Woodstock Lodge No. 31, and Ottaquechee R. A. Chapter No. 21, both of Woodstock, Vt.; Vermont Commandery No. 4, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., entering the latter body May 22, 1896. He is also a member of Killington Lodge No. 29, I. O. O. F., of Rutland, Vt.

MERRILL D. ARMSTRONG

Of St. Albans, Vt., is affiliated with Franklin Lodge, of which he is past master; Champlain R. A. Chapter, which created him a high priest; Columbus Council, R. & S. M., and past commander Lafayette Commandery, K. T., all of St. Albans. He also belongs to the Elks, and the Owl Club, meeting in the same city. Noble Armstrong, who is enrolled in Mt. Sinai Temple, was born in 1882 in St. Albans; is not married, and his occupation is that of a jeweler.

FREDERICK HERBERT BABBITT

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., chairman of the Board of Bailiffs, village trustee, and moderator of the town and village. He was born in Keene, N. H., November 23, 1859, and soon after his parents moved to Bellows Falls, where he attended the public schools, graduating from the high school in 1876, after which he pursued a special scholastic course. His parents were George H. and Francis Allen Johnson Babbitt. He is president of the Robertson Paper Co. of Vermont, and the Bellows Falls Machine Co., and has been auditor of the American Express Co., holding the position for sixteen years. He has been especially interested in paper manufacturing. His marriage took place in Hartland, Vt., September 15, 1885, to Katherine B. Britton, whose parents were Wilson and Susan A. Young Britton. They have one daughter, Mrs. Herbert T. Kelley. He attends the Universalist Church. His favorite sport is fishing and automobiling. In addition to being enrolled in Mt. Sinai Temple, Noble Babbitt belongs to King Solomon Temple Lodge; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and the four bodies of the Scottish Rite up to and including the 32°. He is a past master in his blue lodge and his been in the chair of his commandery.

WILLIAM B. BARKER

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., was born there April 23, 1881, and he is in the employ of the American Express Co. His father was William G. Barker, and his mother, whose maiden name was Alice E. Amadon, is still living. He attended the high school of his native town and graduated in 1899. Noble Barker belongs to King Solomon Temple Lodge; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also connected with the Westminster and the Bellows Falls Boat and Canoe clubs. He is deeply interested in charity work, is of the Universalist faith, and a Republican in politics.

JOHN W. BENNETT

Secretary and assistant treasurer of the Jones & Lamson Machine Company of Springfield, Vt., has been connected with that concern since 1895, filling various positions with it. He was born in Winnepauk, Conn., September 4, 1870, and on August 28, 1901, was married in Westminster, Vt., to Cora A. Fisher of that town. They have one child, John Fisher Bennett, born June 15, 1908. Noble Bennett is a Republican, and both he and his wife are members of the Congregational Church. He belongs to St John's Lodge, F. & A. M.; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, April 22, 1898, and is a member of the Automobile Club of Vermont.

WILLARD T. CARLETON

A clerk with the Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Company of 87 Milk Street, Boston. He was born at Island Pond, Vt., in May, 1870, and attended the public schools of his native town, graduating from the high school in 1894. He is the son of Frank W. and Mary M. Tracey Carleton, his mother alone surviving. He was married in Concord, Mass., January 27, 1909, to J. Lorette Nagle. Noble Carleton was connected with the Island Pond National Bank from 1895 to 1898, and from the latter year up to 1906 he was with the National Bank of Newbury at Wells River, Vt., going with the Boston banking institution with which he is now connected in 1906. He belongs to Pulaski Lodge; Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, having been admitted to the temple, December 31, 1901. He is a member of the Appalachian Mountain Club of Boston.

NELSON L. BOYDEN

Of Randolph Centre, Vt., has been prominently identified with Republican politics in that state, where he was born in Barnard, July 19, 1836, the son of Luther and Hannah Goff Boyden. He attended the Royalton Academy and Orange county grammar school, graduating in 1863. He was admitted to the bar in June, 1865, and now practices law. He was a state senator in 1882-83; representative in 1888-89; town clerk of Randolph, 1868 to 1893 inclusive, a period of twenty-five years; trustee and president of the board of the State Normal school at Randolph thirty-five years; school director and lister and town superintendent of schools many years. Noble Boyden received the degree of Master Mason in Rising Sun Lodge, February 1, 1861, and dimitted to Phœnix Lodge; he joined Whitney R. A. Chapter; Haswell Council, R & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Montpelier Lodge of Perfection, 14°. He is a past master of his blue lodge, is high priest of the chapter and past thrice illustrious master of his council. His Shrine affiliations are Mt. Sinai Temple. He is attached to the Congregational faith, and greatly enjoys attending Masonic gatherings.

W. HARRISON BINGHAM

Of Cornwall, Vt., was born in that town January 9, 1843, and received his education in the common and select schools there. His parents were Harris Bingham, born April 10, 1806, and Lucy Ann Warner Bingham, who was born in 1805. He has been twice married, first in New Haven Vt., in June, 1868 to Mary Lucina Cook, daughter of Gustavius and Mary Fitch Cook, the former of New Haven and the latter of Middlebury, Vt. Some time after she had passed away he was married to Anna Julia Stowell, daughter of Edwin S. Stowell of Cornwall, Vt., and Julia V. Daggett Stowell, born in Middletown, Vt., January 18, 1893. Two children resulted from each marriage. They are: Anna Mary, born May 27, 1872; Eugene Cook, born December 8, 1878; Lucien Warner, born May 16, 1895, and Maurice Alden born September 6, 1897. Noble Bingham became connected with Masonry in March, 1864, by entrance into a blue lodge, and also belongs to the R. A. Chapter, the K. T. Commandery, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is likewise a member of the G. A. R. and the Grange. As a Republican he represented his town in the legislature in 1880 and was a side judge of the county court in 1892-3. He is a farmer, and at present is connected with the Cornwall Telephone Co. He attends the Congregational Church.

IRA B. BISHOP

Enrolled in Mt. Sinai Temple of the Mystic Shrine, his membership dating from December, 1908, previous to which year he became identified with Memphremagog Lodge; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Court Honor of the Foresters, and the American Woodmen and is also on the roll of the Memphremagog Club of Newport, Vt. Noble Bishop is a justice of the peace, belongs to the Republican Party, and is in the drug business at West Derby, Vt. He was born in Fairfax, Vt., November 22, 1867. His parents were Ira C. and Augusta Brush Bishop of Fairfax, and both are living. His marriage took place November 12, 1901, in Derby, Vt., to Miss Edna G., daughter of William J. and Harriett Burworth Miller, the former of Derby, while the mother is a native of Canada. They have one son, Oscar Burton Bishop, born July 27, 1903. He enjoys fishing and his favorite reading is journals pertaining to the drug trade, medical books, in addition to general literature.

STANLEY ROSCOE BRYANT

Postmaster of Windsor, Vt., and has served as such eleven years. He was chosen selectman of the town in 1893, and elected in all the succeeding years up to and including 1899. From 1890 to 1894 was a justice of the peace and from 1880 to 1898 was a contractor. Noble Bryant joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1900. The following are his Masonic connections: Windsor Lodge of which he is treasurer; Windsor R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council of Royal and Select Masters; Vermont Commandery, where he also holds the office of treasurer; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, and other Scottish rite bodies up to and including the 32°, his consistory being Vermont. He was born January 3, 1849, in West Windsor, Vt., and attended the public schools there. His parents were Abner C., and Fannie Maria Waite Bryant, the former of Hartland and the latter of West Windsor of whom his mother alone survives. He was married, January 1, 1877, to Sarah A., daughter of Elias and Eliza Sheldon Taylor of Weathersfield. They have no children. In addition to his other offices and duties, he is president of the Windsor County Trust Company, and director of the Windsor Savings Bank. He is fond of travel and his choice of reading is historical and scientific literature.

CHARLES E. GRAFFAM

A well-known druggist of Brattleboro, Vt., was born in Merrimac, Mass., January 7, 1868, the son of Benjamin F. and Elizabeth G. Robinson Graffam. He was married to Emily Elizabeth Little, daughter of Isaac B. and Susan Horton Little of Merrimac, November 18, 1896, and has two children: Dorothy Little, born February 19, 1898, and Susan Horton, born August 11, 1899. Noble Graffam is a member of Brattleboro Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a Past Sachem of the Red Men, and a member of the Vermont Wheel Club. Hunting and fishing are his favorite pastimes. He is a Republican, and attends the Congregational Church.

WILLIAM H. BURBANK

The present town clerk of Barnet, Vt., was born in that place September 17, 1846, and has lived there all his life. He was the son of Moses and Margaret Hydman Burbank, who are both deceased. He attended the Barnet public schools, and the Eastman Business College in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., graduating from the latter in 1867. He was married, May 10, 1877, to Helen M. Hoyt, daughter of Jonathan O. and Louisa A. Danforth Hoyt of Barnet, but is now a widower, his wife having passed away. He has a son, Guy H. Burbank, born April 4, 1880. For the thirty-six years between November, 1873, and January, 1909, he was engaged in business as a merchant in Barnet, and has filled the position of town clerk ever since May, 1880. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in January, 1898, and also belongs to Passumpsic Lodge, which he entered in 1873; Haswell R. A. Chapter, and Palestine Commandery, K. T., his membership in the latter two bodies dating from 1890 and 1895 respectively. He likewise is a member of Connecticut River Lodge of Odd Fellows, and is a Republican.

C. M. FLETCHER

A native of Canaan, Vt., where he still resides. He was born, May 3, 1867, and was educated at Canaan and New Hampton, N. H. His father was Marvin Fletcher and his mother was born Elizabeth H. Emery, both of old New England stock. Noble Fletcher is profitably engaged as an insurance manager. November 1, 1892, he was appointed Deputy Collector of United States Customs. In politics he is an Independent Democrat. He was made a Mason in Island Pond Lodge, Island Pond, Vt., and was exalted in Haswell Royal Arch Chapter, St. Johnsbury. The cryptic degrees were received in Omega Council, Royal and Select Masters, Plymouth, N. H., and he was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Malta Commandery at Newport, Vt. The Scottish Rite degrees were taken by Noble Fletcher in New Hampshire, his membership being in North Star Lodge of Perfection of Lancaster; Washington Council, Princes of Jerusalem, and Littleton Chapter, Rose Croix, of Littleton, and New Hampshire Consistory of Nashua. Noble Fletcher is also a member of Essex Lodge No. 13, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Island Pond, Vt.; Frontier Lodge No. 36, Knights of Pythias, West Stewartstown, N. H., and Frontier Grange No. 226.

EPHRAIM HITCHCOCK CRANE

Of Brattleboro, Vt., was born in Hyde Park, Vt., January 29, 1876, and was graduated from Dartmouth College in 1898, in which year he became an editor and master printer and has continued in that line of business. His father was Edward C. Crane, and his mother Mary Jane Thomas Crane. Noble Crane belongs to Brattleboro Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a Congregationalist, and was married to Mary E. Mastin, February 5, 1903. They have two children Elizabeth Mastin and Mary Hitchcock Crane.

EARL D. EVANS

Of St. Johnsbury, was born November 14, 1884, and has always lived in his native town. He is the son of Elmore E. and Kate Bagley Evans. His father was born January 23, 1858, and his mother March 23 of the same year, and are still living. Noble Evans secured his education in St. Johnsbury Academy, from which he received his diploma in 1903. Following his graduation he entered the Randall department store in St. Johnsbury as a clerk, and has continued there ever since. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1907. His Masonic connections are with Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter, and Palestine Commandery, K. T. He is not married, and his home is at 8 Cross Street, St. Johnsbury.

CLAUDE M. CAMPBELL, M. D.

A well-known physician of Rochester, Vt., was received into the nobility of Mt. Sinai Temple, April 27, 1905. He was born in Rochester, August 17, 1872, the son of John W. Campbell and Philanda Hubbard, both natives of Rochester. He was educated in the schools of Barre and then entered the medical department of the University of Vermont at Burlington, from which he graduated with the degree of M. D. Afterward Dr. Campbell went to New York and took a post-graduate course in the Post-graduate School and Hospital. He married at Arlington, Vt., September 12, 1907, Julia Pauline Batchelder, daughter of James K. Batchelder, of Arlington, Vt., and Alta Parsons of Bennington, Vt. Noble Campbell was brought to light in Masonry in Rural Lodge No. 29, of Rochester. He was exalted in Farmer's Royal Arch Chapter No. 9, of Brandon, Vt., and was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Mt. Zion Commandery, of Montpelier. Dr. Campbell is also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America, and of the Vermont Society, Sons of the American Revolution. In political matters his sentiment is with the Republicans. He is a member of the Universalist Church.

A. LEE CADY

Of Bethel, Vt., has had the distinction of being worshipful master of White River Masonic Lodge three terms in four years. He also holds membership in the R. A. Chapter at Randolph and Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T. He became acquainted with the camel in Mt. Sinai Temple of the Mystic Shrine. His club is the Crescent of Bethel. Noble Cady, who is a Republican, represented his district in the state Legislature in 1896-98. He is an undertaker, and since 1895 has been connected with the firm of Abbot & Cady, in the general mercantile line. He was born in Barnard, Vt., February 8, 1868, attended the public schools of Bethel, and Randolph High, taking a special course in mercantile study. His parents were Samuel C., and Angela W. Wood, both of Barnard. He was united in marriage to Lillian C., daughter of F. L. and Lena Campbell Martin, June 5, 1894, in Bethel. Her father and mother are both natives of Rochester. Their one child is named Angela Dorothy, and was born December 13, 1896. His favorite diversion is driving. In reading he prefers historical and general literature.

REV. ISAAC P. CHASE

Of Orleans, Vt., has been a member of the Vermont Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the past twenty-eight years, and has preached every year during that time with the exception of 1904. He was born in Berlin, Vt., May 20, 1845, and received his education in the common schools and Newbury Seminary. His parents were Amos Chase, born February 8, 1818, in Unity, N. H., and Olive N. Preston Chase, a native of Lyme, N. H., born July 13, 1818. He was married November 27, 1866, in St. Johnsbury, Vt., to Mary E. Drew of that town, daughter of Holman and Harriet Dickerman Drew, formerly of Lyndon, Vt. One child, Minnie E., was born to them, March 6, 1868. He was married to Mrs. Mary A. Bailey of Orleans, Vt., July 1, 1905. Noble Chase entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1904. He is also connected with Memphremagog Lodge; Cleveland R. A. Chapter, and Malta Commandery, K. T. For many years he has been identified with the Prohibition Party, is a close student of the Bible and fond of reading history.

WALTER E. CLARK

Of Ferrisburg, comes of an old Vermont family, the son of James Clark and Mary Lynch of Ferrisburg, where he was born August 21, 1866. He was educated at Beeman Academy, and has successfully followed the life of farming and its allied pursuits. From 1904 to 1907 he was Director and President of the Vergennes Creamery Company. Noble Clark was admitted to the nobility of Mt. Sinai Temple, March 17, 1899. His Masonic membership is in Libanus Lodge No. 47 of Bristol, Vt.; Jerusalem Chapter, R. A. M., Vergennes; Vergennes Council, Royal and Select Masters, and Mt. Calvary Commandery No. 1, K. T. of Middlebury. He is also a member of Pierpont Lodge No. 37, Knights of Pythias, and of Vergennes Grange No. 406. He was married at Ferrisburg, September 1, 1892, to Jennie E. Field, daughter of Luther L. Field of Ferrisburg and Emma A. Roscoe of New Haven. They have three children: Ruth F., born July 14, 1895; Helen L., born January 25, 1899, and William L., born July 27, 1900. Noble Clark attends the Congregational Church.

ROSCOE M. COWLES

Resides at Albany, Vt., where he was born March 4, 1871, the son of Madison Cowles and Mary Hovey. He was educated in the North Craftsbury Academy and the Albany Business College of Albany, N. Y., and entered the mercantile business in his native town, where he has been highly successful. He married, June 5, 1895, Bertha M. Aiken, daughter of Benjamin O. Aiken and Emma George of Albany. He and his wife are both Congregationalists. His favorite pastime is motoring. He is a Republican in politics, and represented the town of Albany in the State Legislature in 1906. Noble Cowles was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in April, 1906. He began his Masonic career in Central Lodge No. 2 of Irasburg, Vt., and was exalted in Keystone Royal Arch Chapter in Barton. He is a member of Newport Council, Royal Arch Chapter Masters, and of Malta Commandery No. 10 of Newport. Noble Cowles is also a member of the Lodge of Perfection; of the Scottish Rite, located at Newport.

EDWARD AARON DAVIS

Of Bethel, Vt., was born in Chelsea, Vt., June 18, 1865, was educated in the public schools of that place, and graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy in 1885. He has ever since been in the banking business, and from 1896 up to the present time has been cashier and a director of the White River National Bank. His parents were Aaron and Laura Rice Davis. Noble Davis belongs to White River Lodge; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter; Vermont Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is a Republican, and was a representative to the State Legislature in 1904-05. He was also State fish and game commissioner for four years. On June 25, 1892, he was married to Josephine O'Connell, daughter of Peter and Josephine Riley O'Connell of Bethel. They have one child, Edward A. Davis, Jr. He attends the Episcopal Church, is a member of the Crescent Club of Bethel, also a director and treasurer of the White River Railroad. He is fond of fishing and automobiling.

N. WILL FOSTER

Of Whiting, Vt., who has been a merchant since 1890, is a native of Ithaca, N. Y., and was born February 10, 1865. His parents were Norman C. Foster, born in Whiting in 1841, and Anna L. Tillotson Foster, also born in 1841, in Moriah, N. Y. He was married in Barrington, Nova Scotia, September 5, 1893, to Emma G. Kenney, daughter of B. Freeman and Emeline G. Covel Kenney of Barrington. They have had three children: J. Roy Foster, born May 8, 1898; Norman W., born May 29, 1901, and Anna C. Foster, born August 1, 1895. He received the principal part of his education in Sherman Collegiate Institute of Moriah, N. Y. Noble Foster belongs to St. Paul's Lodge No. 25, and Farmers R. A. Chapter No. 9 of Barndon, Vt.; Mt. Calvary Commandery No. 1, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered April 3, 1894. In politics he is a Republican.

FRANCIS C. HATCH

A native of Woodstock, Vt., received the principal part of his education in Norwich University. He was formerly engaged with Merrill Hatch, proprietor of the Hotel Royalton at 44 West Forty-fourth Street, New York City. At present he has no business connection, and makes his home at the Royalton. He is a member of Woodstock Lodge; Ottaquechee R. A. Chapter; Windsor Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also a member of the Bohemian Club of San Francisco, Cal.; the Lambs Club of New York; the Larchmont Yacht Club, and the Lakota Club of Woodstock, Vt. In politics he is a Republican. His parents, who are now dead, were Philo and Elizabeth Fitch Hatch.

ARTHUR H. FULLER

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., was born in Andover, Vt., March 3, 1879, and attended the public schools of his native town. His father, who is living, is Byron S. Fuller, a native of Springfield, Vt. His mother was Carrie Hazelton. He was married in November, 1904, to Blanche Bowtell, daughter of George H. and Nettie Sanderson Bowtell of Bellows Falls. For years he was in the employ of N. C. Dodge, a druggist of Springfield, Vt., and since 1901 he has conducted a drug business for himself in Bellows Falls. Noble Fuller is a member of King Solomon Lodge No. 45; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery No. 12, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also a member of Bellows Falls Lodge of Odd Fellows. For four years he has been a member of Vermont National Guard, and is at present second lieutenant of Company B, First Infantry. He favors the Republican Party, and his favorite reading is books pertaining to his business and military life.

ERNEST W. GIBSON

Judge of the Municipal Court since 1908 and President pro tem of the Vermont Senate, is a well-known attorney at law of Brattleboro, Vt., being senior member of the firm of Gibson & Waterman. He was born at Londonderry, Vt., December 29, 1872, the son of William L. Gibson and Saville Stowell, both natives of Londonderry. He was educated in Norwich University and the University of Michigan, graduating from the former June 22, 1894, with the degree of B.S. The degree of A.M. was conferred in 1896. He married at Chester, Vt., November 25, 1896, Grace Fullerton Hadley, daughter of G. Frank Hadley and Grace Fullerton of Chester. Four children have been born to them: F. Hadley, June 9, 1899; Ernest W., March 6, 1901; Doris, September 23, 1903, and Preston F., January 22, 1907. Noble Gibson was made a Mason in Brattleboro Lodge No. 24, and was knighted in Beauseant Commandery No. 7, K. T. He is also a member of the Odd Fellows, the Red Men, the Modern Woodmen, and is active in all the bodies with which he is affiliated. Noble Gibson is also a member of the Vermont Wheel Club. He resides at 8 Oak Street, Brattleboro, and is a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church. His favorite reading is law and history, and his outdoor enjoyment is the national game of baseball.

GEORGE E. GILMAN

Of Brattleboro, Vt., was born July 30, 1858, in Paw Paw, Mich., the son of Joseph and Annie Dole Gilman. His father was a native of New Hampshire and his mother of Northfield, Vt. He graduated in 1877 from the high school in the place of his nativity, and was married in Northfield, Vt., to Lucy Averill, daughter of Thomas and Fannie Howes Averill. Their children are Otto, Beryl, Dana Howes and Mina Annis. He and his wife are Christian Scientists. Noble Gilman devotes much of his time to reading, and is well posted on current events. He was engaged in the importation of horses from Europe from 1880 to 1894, but now conducts a sales stable and does a trucking business. He was bailiff of Brattleboro in the years 1906-7-8. Mt. Sinai Temple showed him the royal road of the Mystic Shrine November 1, 1901. His blue lodge degrees were attained in Paw Paw Lodge No. 18 of Michigan. Since coming East he entered Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter No. 12; Connecticut Valley Council No. 16, R. & S. M., and Beauseant Commandery No. 7, K. T. He is a past grand in Paw Paw Lodge No. 27, I. O. O. F., and is identified with Paw Paw Encampment of the same order.

CHARLES COLLINS GILMORE

An enterprising real estate dealer of Swanton, Vt., has been a Noble of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1898, his Masonic qualifications being in Seventy-Six Lodge No. 14 of Swanton; Champlain Chapter of St. Albans; Lafayette Commandery, Knights Templar, of St. Albans, and the Scottish Rite bodies of Burlington. He was born at Georgia, Vt., January 28, 1859, the son of Dennis Gilmore of Cambridge, Vt., and Nancy Fairbanks of Georgia, Vt. He was educated at St. Albans and at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., graduating in 1878. Two years later Noble Gilmore entered the clothing business at Swanton, and in 1884 engaged in manufacturing, from which he retired in 1907, to look after his real estate interests. He married at St. Albans, Vt., January 31, 1883, Lillian A. Sprague, daughter of Martin A. Sprague of Weybridge, Vt., and Margaret W. Bullard of New Haven, Vt. They have two children: Marion Sprague Gilmore, born November 4, 1886, and Ruth Fairbanks Gilmore, born November 22, 1895. He was for a number of years active in politics, representing Swanton in the legislature in 1900. He was an aide de camp on the staff of Governor Levi K. Fuller from 1892 to 1894 with the rank of Colonel, and was a member of the Selectmen of Swanton for a number of years. Masonry has received considerable of Noble Gilmore's time, being a Past Master of Seventy-Six Lodge, Past District Deputy Grand Master for the Seventh District, and also a Past Commander of Lafayette Commandery, Knights Templar.

GEORGE L. GREELEY

Of an old family of Rochester, Vt., where he now lives and where he was born October 13, 1864, the son of Albert T. Greeley and Maria Rust. His mother is still hearty at the age of eighty-five. He married at Rochester, February 27, 1890, Kate Martin, daughter of Truman Martin and Emeline Claflin of Hancock, Vt., who has passed to the great beyond, leaving three children: Ruth L., born January 23, 1894; Rose M., born September 5, 1898, and Robert G., born June 13, 1901. Noble Greeley was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in 1902. His Masonic membership is in Rural Lodge No. 29; Whitney Chapter No. 5, and Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9 of Montpelier. For the past ten years he has been engaged in the hardware business in Rochester, where he is highly esteemed. He is a member of the Universalist Church. He is fond of all outdoor pastimes, and his favorite reading is of historical works. His political affiliation is with the Republican Party.

CHARLES H. EVANS

Born in South Londonderry, Vt., November 2, 1873, the son of Thomas and Marian Holland Evans. Noble Evans belongs to Blazing Star Lodge No. 23 of Townshend, Vt., the town in which he has his home; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter No. 12, and Beauseant Commandery No. 7, K. T., both of Brattleboro, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also a member of Blazing Star Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. He is not married, is fond of nature study, likes to hunt and fish, and his reading takes in the works of standard authors.

E. N. HEMENWAY

Of Granville, Vt., was born in Londonderry, Vt., and attended the public schools of Warren and Granville, Vt. His parents, Daniel D. and Julia A. Reed Hemenway, both natives of Ludlow, Vt., are still living. He was married, December 17, 1901, in Bethel, Vt., to Lula M. Lincoln of that town, daughter of Albert L. Lincoln, a native of Bethel, and Martha Connell Lincoln, a native of Londonderry, Ireland. They have no children. Noble Hemenway was for some years in partnership with his father in the manufacture of wooden bowls in Granville, succeeding his father in the business on September 1, 1908. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in December, 1907. Prior to that he had become connected with Rural Lodge of Rochester, Vt.; Whitney R. A. Chapter of Randolph, and Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., of Montpelier. He also belongs to the Modern Woodmen of America. In politics he is a Republican. The daily newspapers form his constant reading.

HENRY A. HOLTON

Has been in the watchmaking business for the past forty years at White River Junction, Vt., was born in Newbury, Vt., January 18, 1854. His father was Harry Holton, born March 23, 1828, and his mother was May S. Lyman. He attended the public schools of Wells River, Vt., and was married on September 17, 1879, to Miss Ella E. Leete, daughter of Reuben Leete of Danville, province of Quebec. They have no children. Noble Holton belongs to United Brethren Lodge, F. & A. M.; Cascadnac R. A. Chapter, being treasurer of both lodge and chapter; Vermont Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered April 22, 1898. He is also an Odd Fellow. In politics he is a Republican.

D. C. HORNER

Lives at 4 Winter Street, St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born in Bradford, Vt., August 5, 1850, the son of David Horner, a native of Fairlee, Vt., and Amanda M. Larrabee Horner. He attended the public schools, and when eleven years old went to work in a kit factory for seventeen cents a day. He started learning his trade of machinist when sixteen years of age, with Horace Strickland of Bradford, Vt., and worked a year in a foundry and three years in a machine shop. For twenty years he was with the Passumpsic Railroad, and the last twenty years has been with E. & T. Fairbanks & Co., five of which he spent in the electric machine department of the scale factory and fifteen years as manager of the tool department. Noble Horner entered Mt. Sinai Temple, October 7, 1897, and belongs to Crescent Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M., and Palestine Commandery, K. T. He is also a member of Esther Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of Lyndonville; Green Mountain Lodge, N. E. O. P., and General Logan Council, J. O. U. A. M., both of St. Johnsbury. He was married, April 12, 1899, to Ella M. Flint, daughter of Richard B. and Maisealine M. Hopkins Flint of St. Johnsbury. He and his wife are members of the Congregational Church, and in politics he is a Republican. He is particularly fond of travel, desiring more especially to go where he can see new machinery.

CHARLES H. HORTON

Purchasing agent for the Fairbanks Scales Company of St. Johnsbury, Vt., which company he has been connected with since 1874, being made purchasing agent in 1886. He was born in St. Johnsbury, March 11, 1856, and attended the public schools of that place. He is single, and his home is in St. Johnsbury. He is a member of Passumpsic Lodge, F. & A. M.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a student in natural history, making a specialty of the study of bird life; is also fond of hunting and fishing. He was a justice of the peace from 1901 to 1907, a member of the Republican Committee in 1905, and for the past ten years has been a notary public. His father, William H. Horton, was born in 1819, and his mother, Elizabeth T. Horton, in 1821.

TRUMBULL L. HUNT

A road commissioner and farmer of White River Junction, Vt., he was born in West Hartford, Vt., August 20, 1850, and attended the public schools there. He was married at that place, January 3, 1872, to Clara Marsh, a native of the town. They have one child, a son, Clayton M. Hunt, who is twenty-seven years old, and lives in West Hartford. Noble Hunt belongs to Lane Lodge; St. Andrew's R. A. Chapter; Washington Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered in 1905. He believes in all good things, but is not a member of any church. He is a Republican, and for some time past he has been filling the position of justice of the peace. His parents were Stiles and Emma Demick Hunt. He is an enthusiastic fisherman.

IRA W. LAWSON

At present a road commissioner, is a resident of North Calais, Vt. He was born in Woodbury, Vt., August 6, 1876, his parents being Freeman Lawson, born November 10, 1852, and Dora F. Tompkins, born December 12, 1855. He was educated in Goddard Seminary, graduating from that well-known institution in June, 1899, taking a special course in English. He was married in Morrisville, Vt., June 8, 1904, to Nervie Louise Foster, daughter of Sidney H. and Louise R. Foster of North Calais, and they have two children: Dora Louise, born December 1, 1907, and Sidney Freeman Lawson, born August 26, 1909. He has been a justice of the peace since December 1, 1906, and in May of the same year was appointed clerk of the Republican Town Committee, which position he still holds. He attends the Universalist Church. Noble Lawson belongs to Green Mountain Lodge of Cabot, Vt.; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, into which he was received December 9, 1904. In addition to these he is also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America, being chief forester, and secretary of the Sons of Veterans. He is fond of hunting and fishing.

J. H. KINIRY

Of Windsor, Vt., was born in Walpole, N. H., November 11, 1859. His parents were John and Katherine Callahan Kiniry. He attended the public school in Bellows Falls, and was married at that place, May 20, 1884, to Minnie, daughter of Haskell and Sarah Aldrich Willey. They have three children: Ralph, Louis and Raymond, born respectively in 1886, 1889 and 1893. He is a Republican and has held the office of high bailiff and deputy sheriff of Windsor County from 1892 up to the present time. Noble Kiniry's membership in the Masonic bodies include lodge, chapter, council and Vermont Commandery. He was made a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1896, and is a member of the Scottish Rite to the fourteenth grade. Beginning business in Windsor in 1889 as a coal merchant and dealer in athletic and sporting goods, in addition to which he now conducts coal yards and a store in Claremont, N. H. This business was begun in 1894, and under his supervision is now managed by his son, Ralph W. Kiniry.

GEORGE BISHOP LANE

Became a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1889. He belongs to the Craft, Capitular, Cryptic and Templar bodies, and all in the Scottish Rite up to and including the 31°, all in Burlington. He is a member in several of the leading clubs of Minneapolis, including the Minneapolis, Lafayette, Minekahda and the Automobile. Politically he is a Republican. Noble Lane is a dealer in commercial paper, and was connected as cashier with the Nicollet National Bank of Minneapolis from 1892 to 1895. He was born November 18, 1862, his father and mother having been Vermonters. His father, Lucius Lee Lane, was from Jericho, and his mother, Betsey Jane Bishop, of Hinesburg. His mother is living. He was married to Nellie Simonds, October 30, 1889. They reside at 309 Clifton Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn. He is an Episcopalian, and is fond of travel.

FRED R. NEWELL, D.D.S.

A dentist of Brattleboro, Vt., was born in Shelbourne, Vt., December 12, 1879. His father, Henry N. Newell, was born June 18, 1843, and his mother, Louise Angier Newell, was born April 22, 1847. After attending the public schools of Rutland, Vt., he entered the University of Maryland, graduating from here with the degree of D.D.S., and at once opened an office for the practice of dentistry, which profession he has since followed with success. Dr. Newell is not married. He belongs to Brattleboro Lodge, F. & A. M.; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, joining the latter in 1907. He is very fond of motor boating, hunting and fishing, and is a member of the Vermont Wheel Club. He attends the Episcopal Church, and in politics is a Republican.

GEORGE HENRY MELLISH

A member of Mt. Sinai Temple from April 25, 1901, until his death, June 26, 1907. He was born in Schenectady, N. Y., March 10, 1844, the son of Stephen Johnson Mellish of Walpole, N. H., and Mary Closson of Westminster, Vt. He was reared in Vermont, attending the public schools of Woodstock, Vt. After the Civil War he took a special course in Eastman Business College of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., from which he graduated in 1865. Enlisting in 1862, he served in Company C, 6th Vermont Infantry, and re-enlisting in March, 1864, was honorably discharged as sergeant. He was married in Boston, in 1880, to Flora Catherine Moors of Bath, Maine, who died in 1884, leaving one daughter, Martha May Mellish, born August 21, 1882. Noble Mellish was a member of Woodstock Lodge, F. & A. M.; Ottaquechee Chapter No. 21, R. A. M., and Vermont Commandery, Knights Templar, of Windsor. He was also a member of the Eastern Star of Woodstock, and of John A. Andrew Post, Grand Army of the Republic, of Boston. From 1869 to 1872 he was foreman of the Gardner News; was connected with the Riverside Press, Cambridge, Mass., for a year, and for twenty years, ending in 1895, was a compositor on the Boston Daily Advertiser, after which he made his home in Woodstock, Vt. He attended the reunion of the Grand Army of the Republic in Boston in 1904, and after the parade, in which he took part, was stricken with partial blindness, from which he never recovered. Three years later he succumbed to paralysis.

EDWARD E. MARGGRAF

A resident of North Hartley, province of Quebec, Canada, was born in Caledonia, Ohio, August 28, 1860. His father, Gustavus E. Marggraf, a native of Saxony, Germany, was born May 14, 1826. His mother was Katherine Olives. She was born January 19, 1825, and is still living at the age of eighty-four. Noble Marggraf received the principal part of his education in Tufts College at Medford, Mass., which he entered in 1888 and was graduated in 1892. He was married in Bellows Falls, Vt., August 18, 1898, to Nora Gage, daughter of William Gage. They have one child, Katherine E., born September 14, 1899. While his parents belonged to the German Lutheran Church, Noble Marggraf is attached to the Universalist faith. He is a member of Golden Rule Lodge of Stanstead, Quebec; Cleveland R. A. Chapter of Newport, Vt.; Newport Commandery, K. T., and has been connected with Mt. Sinai Temple since 1905.

SAMUEL HUTCHINS

Of Wells River, Vt., is a member of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; is also affiliated with Pulaski Lodge of Wells River, Vt.; the R. A. Chapter of Bradford, Vt., and Palestine Commandery, K. T., of St. Johnsbury.

EUGENE WILLARD KING

Of Mt. Sinai Temple, was born December 31, 1868, in Windham, Maine. His father was David Patterson King, formerly of Edgewood, Maine, and his mother was Juliet Hare King of Eastport, the same State. He attended the public schools of White River Junction, and in 1888 became interested in the express business. At the present time he is messenger for the American Express Co. November 21, 1894, he was married to Annie M. Lampman, daughter of Hiram M. and Margaret Brear Lampman of White River Junction. Mr. and Mrs. King have two children: Charles William, born June 21, 1903, and Eugene David, born March 18, 1907. He is a Methodist. His political affiliation is Republican. The Masonic bodies in which Noble King is a member are: United Brethren Lodge; Cascadnac Chapter, and Windsor Commandery, K. T. He is also in the New England Order of Protection.

CHARLES C. MILLER

Deceased, of Burlington, was a native of that city and was born November 28, 1858, the son of David Miller. He attended the public schools of Burlington, graduating from the high school there. After taking a business course he entered the mercantile and drug line, which he followed for some years. He was a bookkeeper for Wells & Richardson, and became a member of the Burlington Drug Co. in 1895. In 1896 he was elected a representative in the legislature from Burlington as a Democrat. He was married, November 29, 1893, to Katherine J. Stannard, daughter of George J. and Emily J. Clark Stannard of St. Albans, Vt. Noble Miller died October 3, 1906. He had been enrolled in Washington Lodge, F. & A. M., chapter and commandery, and in Mt. Sinai Temple, having joined the latter in 1899. During his life he attended the Episcopal Church. He was fond of all outdoor sports and was a member of the Algonquin Club of Burlington. He was a reader of general literature, and the newspapers.

MARSH O. PERKINS

Has been editor of the Vermont Journal from 1880 up to the present time, is a resident of Windsor, Vt. From 1882 to 1884 he was a representative in the Legislature from that town, and in 1888 was State senator, filling both offices as a Republican. He was born February 7, 1849, in Rutland, Vt., was educated in the Rutland High School and Middlebury College, graduating from the latter in 1870. His parents were Henry Olin and Mary Giddings Perkins. He was married in Windsor, December 31, 1878, to Clara Alice McIndoe of that town, daughter of Lyman and Abbie Locke McIndoe, her mother being a native of Lyman, N. H. Their children are: Locke McIndoe, born in 1879; Gale Giddings; Margaret and Marion, twins; Herbert M., and Katherine Lucia. Noble Perkins is an Episcopalian. He is a lover of football, baseball and of athletics generally. He belongs to Vermont Lodge; Windsor R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. He has presided in his blue lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, Council of the Cryptic Rite, Commandery, Lodge of Perfection, the Princes, and was commander-in-chief of the Consistory. He has also been head of the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery of the State, and is deputy for Vermont of the Supreme Council, N. M. J., U. S. A., 33°, Scottish Rite. He is a charter member of Windsor Lodge of Odd Fellows, and a member of the Runnemede Club from 1871 to 1880. He was principal of the Windsor high school. His field of reading covers general literature.

SETH E. LANCASTER

Of English parentage, was born in Bradford, England, June 9, 1862. His father, William Bradford, is still living. He was married, October 15, 1890, to Anna M. Mattuiger, daughter of John and Elizabeth Rorer Mattuiger. Their home is in Evarts, Vt., and they have two children: William Elwood and John M. He became a Noble in Mt. Sinai Temple in 1902, and is affiliated with United Brethren Lodge; Cascadnac Chapter, and Windsor Commandery, K. T., and is also a member of Woodman Lodge I. O. O. F. Noble Lancaster is a stanch Republican, and has been overseer of the poor for nineteen years. He is fond of reading, and an ardent Methodist.

LESLIE D. PIERCE

A native of Rochester, Vt., was born July 13, 1876, the son of Edward L. and Julia Francis Ashley Pierce. He is not married, and resides with his parents. He graduated from Tufts College with the degree of A.B., and then entered Harvard Law School, where he remained one year. Choosing a business career, he is now treasurer and manager of the Rochester Electric Light and Power Co., and vice-president of the Pierce-Robinson Lumber Co. Noble Pierce was made a Mason in Rural Lodge No. 29, and was exalted in Whitney Royal Arch Chapter No. 5. The Templar orders were conferred upon him by Mt. Zion Commandery of Montpelier. He was a member of the class of December, 1904, in Mt. Sinai Temple. Noble Pierce is of the Woodland Golf Club and the Pinehurst Country Club. He is devoted to baseball, golf and motoring. He has made a special study of the rules of baseball and golf and the automobile laws of the several states and countries. He has taken no particular part in politics, but his views coincide with those of the Republican Party.

EDSON N. PIERCE

Born in West Windsor, January 1, 1863, the youngest son of George E. and Sophronie Dake Pierce. He was married to Fannie E. Stoddard April 13, 1882. Five children were born to them: Mary A., wife of George Hale of Claremont; Florence G., a stenographer; George E., Harold D., and Horace L., living at the old home, where Noble Pierce lived since he was six years old. He was actively identified with town affairs, and was frequently called by his townsmen to fill places of responsibility and trust. For several years he was one of the selectmen, and represented West Windsor in the general assembly of the State in 1906. He was deeply interested in the Masonic fraternity, and had attained distinction in it by serving most successfully as master of Vermont Lodge No. 18, and as high priest of Windsor Royal Arch Chapter No. 9. He was a member of the other Masonic bodies in Windsor, and at the time of his death was the senior warden of Vermont Commandery No. 4, K. T. He was also worthy patron of Ascutney Chapter No. 2, Order of the Eastern Star.

JOHN E. RHODES

A traveling representative for the Standard Oil Co. of New York, was for eleven years with the general passenger department of the Central Vermont Railroad, in St. Albans, Vt., prior to making his present business connection. He was born in Milton, Vt., September 19, 1881, and attended the public schools of St. Albans, where he now resides. Noble Rhodes belongs to Franklin Lodge; Champlain R. A. Chapter; Columbian Council, R. & S. M.; Lafayette Commandery, K. T.; Haswell Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a past grand in St. Albans Lodge of Odd Fellows, and is also a member of the Owl Club.

WILLIAM HERBERT PROCTOR

A manufacturer of Brattleboro, Vt., was born in Westmoreland, N. H., October 12, 1861. His father, Francis W. Proctor, born July 24, 1833, is no longer living. His mother, Anna O. Smith Proctor, was born in September, 1839. Noble Proctor received his education in the public schools of Westmoreland, and since entering business life has been a manufacturer and a merchant. He was married, April 30, 1895, to Flora A. Frost, daughter of Wells S. and Mary Farmer Frost of Brattleboro. They have one child, Vesta R., who was born February 3, 1901. In politics Noble Proctor is a Republican, and fraternally belongs to Brattleboro Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, having passed its portals in 1903.

FRANK B. PUTNAM

General agent of the Vermont Loan & Trust Co. of Brattleboro, where he resides, has been connected with the loan business since 1893. Previous to that year he was in the haberdashery store of H. B. Chamberlain for five years. He was born in Brattleboro, July 11, 1870, attended the public schools of that city, graduating from its high school in 1889. His parents, Edwin H. and A. Louise Bingham Putnam, are both living. Noble Putnam belongs to Columbian Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection; Joseph Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is past commander in his commandery; is a Republican; an ex-president of the Vermont Wheel Club; is still single, and favors autoing and boating for sports.

JAMES B. RANDALL

Of Brattleboro, Vt., was born in Dummerston, Vt., September 4, 1846, attending the public schools of his native place. His parents were E. O. and Sally Brown Randall, neither of whom are living. Formerly a manufacturer of a machine for the making of needles, he has, since 1903, been engaged in the real estate business in Brattleboro. Noble Randall is married, and is a member of Columbian Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T.; Windsor Lodge of Perfection, and of Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in 1903. He is a Republican.

CHARLES O. ROBBINS

A member of the firm of Robbins & Cowles, wholesale and retail dealers in hardware at Brattleboro, Vt., with which he has been connected since its establishment in 1890. He was born in Chester, Vt., March 4, 1860, and received his education in Goddard Seminary, Barre, Vt., graduating from that institution in 1880. Noble Robbins is a member of Brattleboro Lodge; Fort Dummer R. A. Chapter; Connecticut Valley Council, R. & S. M.; Beauseant Commandery, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., having been admitted to the latter body in 1901.

HOMER THRASHER

In business in Newport, Vt., as a dealer in men's clothing and furnishing goods since 1883. Prior to that year he had been a country merchant for eight years. He was born in Westminster, Vt., September 9, 1841, the son of Charles and Harriet Wheeler Thrasher. He received his education in the public schools and Vermont Academy. He was married, December 1, 1867, in Lisbon, N. H., to Josephine O. Bowles, daughter of Chandler Bowles of Lisbon. They have one child, Edward O., born January 11, 1874. Noble Thrasher was town clerk and constable for three years, and for the past twenty years he has been chairman of selectmen in Newport. He is a Republican, and from 1890 to 1892 he represented Newport in the lower branch of Vermont Legislature. He belongs to Memphremagog Lodge; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory; Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., the Eastern Star, and is a member of the Young Men's Improvement Club of Newport. His wife is also a member of the Eastern Star. He is fond of all outdoor sports, and his reading embraces fiction and general literature.

CHARLES S. SHERMAN

Of Windsor, Vt., has followed the profession of a photographer in that town from 1894 up to the present time. Prior to entering that line he had been a carpenter and pattern maker for some years. He was born in West Windsor, Vt., May 30, 1851, and attended the public schools of that place, and is the son of Charles M. and Polly E. Blood Sherman, the former a native of Weathersfield, Vt., and the latter of West Windsor. Only his father is living. In 1873 he was married to Mary J. Perkins of West Windsor, daughter of Edward and Persis Stevens Perkins. They have three children: Leonard D., born in 1876; May Alice, born in 1882, and Nell Frances, born in 1885. Noble Sherman is enrolled in Vermont Lodge, in which he is past master; Vermont R. A. Chapter; Vermont Council, R. & S. M.; is past commander in Vermont Commandery, K. T.; is of Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered in 1900. He also belongs to the Odd Fellows. In political matters he is with the Republican Party.

F. E. SMITH

Of Moscow, Vt., was born in that town September 18, 1869, and received the principal part of his education in the Stowe high school and the P. A. Academy. His father, Lemuel B. Smith, was born in Stowe, Vt., April 23, 1809, and his mother, Nancy E. Towne Smith, in the same town, August 29, 1837. He was married in Shoreham, Vt., August 22, 1892, to Martha M. Waite of that town, and they have three children: Venila E., born April 8, 1893; Isabella C., born April 15, 1894, and Waite L. B., born May 2, 1901. His wife's father, Franklin J. Waite, was born in Crown Point, N. Y., January 13, 1840, and her mother, Sarah S. Atkins Waite, in Stowe, January 31, 1843. Noble Smith entered Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., December 18, 1907; prior to this date he had become connected with Mystic Lodge No. 56; Tucker R. A. Chapter No. 15, and Lamoille Commandery No. 13, K. T. He is likewise a member of Lyde Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; of the Fish and Game League, and the Lake Mansfield Trout Club. As a Republican he represented his town in the Legislature in 1908. He has been a justice of the peace for six years, also a selectman for ten years. He enjoys fishing and hunting, and is a great reader of newspapers and magazines. Since 1890 he has been a manufacturer of lumber and butter boxes. He attends the Unitarian Church.

E. D. THAYER

A resident of Lyndon, Kansas, where he is manager in Orange county for the Merriam Mortgage Company. He was born, July 12, 1852, at Bristol, Vt., his father being the late Erastus D. Thayer of Orwel, Vt., and his mother having been born Anna L. Eddy of Bristol. His education was received at Andover, Mass., 1870. Noble Thayer married in Boston, October 15, 1875, Adelaide S. Newell, daughter of Charles F. Newell and Susan Cintis of Londonderry, Vt. They have one daughter, Madge N. Thayer, born at Brandon, Vt., July 30, 1877. It was at Brandon that he was brought to the light in Masonry in St. Paul Lodge No. 25, his membership in which he still retains, as he also keeps his membership in Farmers' Chapter No. 9, Royal Arch Masons, and Mount Calvary Commandery, Knights Templar, of Middlebury, Vt. He has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple for about twenty years. He still retains his keen interest in affairs in his native State. He is a member of the Episcopal Church. His favorite pastime is fishing, and enjoys historical literature.

LAWRENCE THAYER

Of Dorchester, Mass., is a native of Brookfield, Vt., where he was born June 21, 1847. He attended the schools of Barre, Vt., and for thirty years followed the occupation of a photographer in Newport, Vt., after which he entered mercantile life. He was married in Monroe, N. H., to Julia E. Harding, and they have three children: Maud A., Edwin C., and Julia E. Thayer. His home is at 348 Norfolk Street, Dorchester. Noble Thayer is a member of Memphremagog Lodge; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; the K. T. Commandery; Newport Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and Lake Side Chapter, O. E. S.

CHARLES HILL ROSS

A retired merchant of Brandon, Vt., was born in Brandon, May 1, 1846, and attended the public schools of that town. He was in business for twenty-five years, as a member of the firm of C. H. Ross & Co., conducting a general store in Brandon, retiring in 1895. He is son of Volney Ross. His mother's maiden name was Maria Louise Hill. Both parents are dead. May 26, 1869, he was married to Mary Louise Vail, daughter of John H. and Samantha Vail of Brandon. They have one child living, Grace Vail Ross, born May 13, 1870. Another child, Anne May Ross, who was born November 11, 1871, has passed away. Noble Ross is a member of St. Paul Lodge; Farmers R. A. Chapter; Mt. Calvary Commandery, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple, the latter since 1892. He attends the Congregational Church; politically is a Republican, and is fond of music and travel, as well as the reading of general literature.

CHARLES F. THURBER

Of Fairlee, Vt., was born October 21, 1875, the son of Frank W. Thurber of Bradford, Vt., and Amelia I. Crowther of Penacook, N. H. He was graduated from Corinth Academy in 1894, and was a teacher in the public schools for several years, but since 1898 has been engaged in the clothing and furnishing business. He has, however, in the meantime, been called into political office, having been postmaster of Fairlee since 1899 and town clerk since 1904. Noble Thurber has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since May 2, 1907. He was made a Mason in Mount Cube Lodge No. 10, Oxford, N. H., and was exalted to the degree of the Royal Arch in Mt. Lebanon Chapter of Bradford, Vt. The Templar Orders were conferred upon him in Palestine Commandery No. 5 of St. Johnsbury, Vt. Noble Thurber is also a member of Connecticut Chapter No. 42, Order of the Eastern Star, and of Silver Leaf Grange No. 252, Patrons of Husbandry, of which he is a Past Master. He married, October 28, 1896, at Bradford, Vt., Anna M. Welton of Thetford, Vt., daughter of George M. Welton of Bradford, Vt., and Sabrina Corouth of Groton, Vt. They have two children: Mildred E., born August 21, 1899, and Raymond L., born April 20, 1905.

JAMES M. TOWNSEND

Of Burlington, Vt., has been engaged in the profession of a private nurse from 1896 up to the present time. For nine years he was employed in the Vermont State Hospital in Waterbury. He was born in Alstead, N. H., September 3, 1851, the son of Charles and Lucinda Morse Townsend. He was married to Anna Russell in Montpelier, Vt., April 28, 1903. He is a Republican in political matters, and is a member of St. Paul Lodge; Waterbury R. A. Chapter; Waterbury Council, R. & S. M.; Montpelier Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple.

BERTRAM J. TRASK

Holds the position of telegraph operator on the Boston & Maine Railroad at St. Johnsbury, Vt. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., May 24, 1901, prior to which he had become affiliated with Passumpsic Lodge No. 27; Haswell R. A. Chapter No. 11; Caledonia Council No. 13, R. & S. M., and Palestine Commandery No. 5, K. T. He also belongs to the Odd Fellows.

F. F. TWITCHELL

A Mt. Sinai Noble who has gone a long way from his earlier haunts, being now a resident of Los Angeles, Cal., where he is prominent in business. Noble Twitchell was born August 19, 1847, at East Hampton, Mass., the son of James Twitchell of Winchester, N. H., and Lucy D. Felton of Wardeboro, Vt. He was educated at East Hampton in 1870, and from 1872 to 1876 was engaged in business in Athol, Mass. In 1876 he removed to Boston to enter the dry goods business, where he remained until 1881, when he engaged in a similar business at St. Albans, Vt. Noble Twitchell retired in 1907 and soon afterwards went to Los Angeles, becoming a member of the firm of Barrett & Twitchell, commission merchants. He resides at 1348 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles. Noble Twitchell is a widower, his wife having been Flora S. Soben, daughter of Daniel T. Soben and Sofronia S. Kingman, whom he married at Winchester, N. H., September 29, 1876. Three children survive: Florella E., L. Adelle, and Karl S. He was brought to light in Masonry in Franklin Lodge No. 4, and was exalted in Champlain R. A. Chapter No. 1. He was admitted to the ninth arch in St. Albans Council No. 3, R. & S. M., and was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Lafayette Commandery No. 3. He also received the Scottish Rite degrees while in Vermont, and is a member of Vermont Consistory, of St. Albans Lodge of Elks, and of the Owl Club.

LUCIUS WEBB

Resides at East Granville, Vt., and has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1887, being one of the old guard. He is Secretary of Phœnix Lodge No. 25, F. & A. M., of Randolph; a member of Whitney Chapter No. 5, Royal Arch Masons, and Haswell Council No. 9, Royal and Select Masters, of Randolph, and was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Mt. Zion Commandery No. 7, Montpelier. Noble Webb was born April 27, 1847, at Middlefield, Mass., the son of Lucius Webb of Homer, N. Y., and Sophia M. Dunham of Sandisfield, Mass. He is a widower, his wife having been Imogene L. Fuller, whom he married April 12, 1872, at Northfield, Vt. She bore him three children: DeWitt C., Clarence K., and Mary S. Since 1877 he has been engaged in business in East Granville, the firm being L. Webb & Son. In politics he is a Democrat. He is fond of baseball and of driving horses; his favorite reading is fiction. He is a member of the Universalist Church. His mother, who was born September 6, 1815, is still living, and hopes to round out the century.

JOSEPH E. HAYCOCK

Of Montpelier, Vt., a native of Cherryfield, Maine, was born in 1845. His father, Joseph E. Haycock, has passed away, but his mother, Mary Davis Haycock, is living. He attended the public schools of Cherryfield. He has been in the lumber business, and for five years was connected with the New England Telephone Company. At the present time he is conducting a livery in Montpelier. Noble Haycock is a member of Narraguagug Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. His religious affiliations are with the Baptist Church. He greatly loves to hunt and fish, those being his favorite pastimes.

DEWEY T. HANLEY

Of Montpelier, Vt., Republican, was born in Essex, Vt., April 17, 1874, and graduated from the Essex Classical Institute in the class of 1892. He was for twelve years in the employ of Senator Carroll S. Page, Hyde Park, Vt., as bookkeeper and cashier, and for the past five years has been employed in the office of auditor of accounts of the State of Vermont as chief accountant. Noble Hanley is a member of Mount Vernon Lodge No. 8 of Morrisville, Vt.; Tucker R. A. Chapter No. 15 of Morrisville, Vt.; Mount Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T., of Montpelier, Vt., and Mount Sinai Temple of Montpelier, Vt. He is also a member of Sterling Lodge No. 44, I. O. O. F., Hyde Park, Vt.

CHARLES E. GROSSARTH

Of Burlington, Vt., became a member of the nobility in Mt. Sinai Temple in May, 1907. He is a successful traveling salesman for the Loose-Wiles Biscuit Company of Boston, and resides at 8 Green Street, Burlington. He was born, July 20, 1864, in Philadelphia, Pa., the son of Henry Grossarth and Louisa Kaplinger, natives of Germany. He received the degree of M. E. from Western University. He married Carrie Louise Husan at Northampton, Mass., the daughter of a well-known family of Chatham, N. H. A daughter, Alma, was born in 1886. Noble Grossarth was made a Mason in Armourdale Lodge No. 91, Kansas City, Kan., and transferred to Harwood Lodge No. 91 at Machias, Maine, and took the capitular and cryptic degrees in Morning Star Chapter and Springfield Council, Springfield, Mass. He received the Templar Order in DeWitt Clinton Commandery No. 27, Brooklyn, N. Y., and all the degrees of the Scottish Rite were taken in the bodies at Burlington, Vt. In addition to his Masonic affiliations, Noble Grossarth is a member of the United Commercial Travelers, the Knights of Pythias, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a member of the Congregational Church. He is fond of reading, and his favorite authors are Longfellow, Browning, Victor Hugo, and Ridpath. He is a Republican in politics.

FRANK A. DWINELL

Of Montpelier, Vt., has been connected with the National Life Insurance Company of that city since 1897. He is a native of Calais, Vt., and was born May 23, 1848. Noble Dwinell is a member of Aurora Lodge No. 22; King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7; Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. In politics he is a Republican.

LOUIS B. WILLSON

Of Bellows Falls, Vt., was born there January 10, 1874, and attended the public schools of that place, graduating from the high school in 1893. He is the son of Frederick M. and Mary J. Willson, his father alone surviving. At present he is connected with the firm of John T. Moore & Son in the capacity of clerk. Noble Willson belongs to King Solomon Lodge; Abenaqui R. A. Chapter; Bellows Falls Council, R. & S. M.; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1903. He is a member of the Westminster and the Boat clubs of Bellows Falls, and attends the Episcopal Church.

DE FOREST CLINTON JARVIS, M. D.

A physician of Barre, Vt., with residence at 52 Franklin Street, was born in Plattsburg, N. Y., March 15, 1881; attended the public schools of Burlington, Vt., and completed his education in the University of Vermont, receiving his diploma from the medical department of that institution in June, 1904. His parents, George D. and Abbie Gena Vincent Jarvis, are living. Noble Jarvis belongs to the Vincitia Club of Barre. Mt. Sinai Temple received him, June 13, 1902. To these bodies he bears allegiance: Washington Lodge, F. & A. M.; Burlington R. A. Chapter; Burlington Commandery, K. T.; Haswell Lodge of Perfection, 14°; J. W. Roby Council, 16°; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He was married, April 29, 1908, in Stowe, Vt., to Pearl M. Macomber of that place.

JESSE A. KELLOGG

Conducts a successful grocery in Montpelier, Vt., a native of Stowe, Vt., was born July 6, 1875. He attended the Stowe public schools, graduating from the high school, and in 1896 graduated from a college in Albany, N. Y. His parents were Allan S. and Melissa A. Kellogg, the former born May 2, 1833, and the latter September 18, 1845, both Americans. He is a member of Aurora Lodge No. 22; King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7; King Solomon Council No. 9, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple. He belongs to the Congregational Church, and acts with the Republican Party in political matters. Fishing and hunting are his favorite forms of recreation.

WILLIAM E. LAZELL, M.D.

A graduate physician, received his diploma in 1888. He has been on the staff of Barre City Hospital since 1891. In politics he is a Republican. Noble Lazell, was born in Brookfield, Vt., March 6, 1867, of American parentage. His father was the late William E. Lazell. His mother, born Jeanette M. Tucker, is still living. He was married to Louise M. Halt, September 28, 1893, in Plainfield, Vt. They reside at 25 South Main Street, Barre, Vt. His favorite pastime is hunting and fishing. His Masonic affiliations are with Wyoming Lodge, Plainfield, Vt.; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M., and St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T. He was made a noble in Mt. Sinai Temple, November 13, 1900.

CHARLES F. LOWE

Assistant treasurer of the Montpelier Savings & Trust Co., is a native of New York City, and was born June 8, 1867. His parents were Henry and Eleanor Hayward Lowe. He attended the public schools of Montpelier, his family removing to that city when he was a boy. At the age of twenty-two he entered banking as a profession by becoming connected with the Montpelier Savings & Trust Co., of which institution he was six months ago appointed assistant treasurer. He was admitted to Aurora Lodge on March 29, 1898, and about five years later received his Royal Arch degree in King Solomon Chapter. Noble Lowe has since joined Montpelier Council, R. & S. M., and Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., becoming a member of the latter body March 29, 1904, and entered Mt. Sinai Temple, December 9 of that same year. He is a member of the Apollo and Country clubs of Montpelier, and is very fond of outdoor sports, especially baseball. He played second base on the well-known Montpelier team for many years. He is also a lover of tennis and golf. He was married to Miss Kate E. Park of Montpelier in October, 1890, and resides at 2 Summer Street. His wife's parents were Warren W. and Martha L. Park. Two children have been born to Noble Lowe and wife: Frederick P., aged seventeen, attending Montpelier High School, and Eleanor M., aged sixteen. He is Independent in politics and attends the Episcopal Church.

JAMES FRANKLIN SOMERVILLE

A member of the hardware firm of Smith & Somerville of Waterbury, Vt., where he resides. He was born in Duxbury, June 29, 1891, and attended the public schools. His father, Joseph Somerville, who was born September 20, 1829, passed away April 30, 1910. His mother, Corrinna Somerville, was born November 26, 1832. He was married, October 6, 1896, to Lema S. Fullerton, daughter of J. K. Fullerton of Waterbury, Vt. They have two children: Corrinna Augusta Somerville, born February 3, 1903, and James Kenneth Somerville, born April 19, 1904. Noble Somerville belongs to Winooski Masonic Lodge No. 49, of which he is past master; Waterbury R. A. Chapter, in which he is captain of the host; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter in 1903. He is a Republican.

KIMBALL WILLIAM MORSE

Engaged in the hotel business for the past twenty years, and is well known in that line to many people. At present he is manager of the Industrial Investment Co. of Barre, Vt. He is a Republican, but has never held office. He was born in Rochester, Vt., January 21, 1859, and attended the public schools of Bethel, Vt. He is a member of a blue lodge at Randolph, R. A. Chapter at White River Junction; Vermont Commandery No. 4, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter, September 30, 1896. He likes outdoor sports of all kinds, but his favorite pastimes are hunting and fishing. His father was Charles Morse, Jr., and his mother, Sarah Williams Morse, is still living. He was married in June, 1889, to Emma Raymond of Braintree, Vt., and they have one child, Ruth Morse. Noble Morse is a member of Montpelier Lodge No. 924 B. P. O. Elks, and of the Vincitia Club of Barre, Vt.; New England Fat Men's Club, and was colonel of Vermont division, Sons of Veterans, in 1901.

GEORGE MUTCH

Senior member of the Mutch & Calder Granite Co. of Barre, Vt. He has been engaged in granite manufacturing ever since 1879, and at one time was superintendent for the firm of Jones Bros. of Barre. His present company was established in 1898. He was born in Methick, Scotland, April 16, 1863, the son of George and Elspet Will Mutch, both of Scotch nativity, his mother alone surviving. He attended the schools of Aberdeen, Scotland, and has never married. He is a member of Granite Lodge No. 35; Granite R. A. Chapter No. 26; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, June 6, 1904. Noble Mutch belongs to the Vincitia Club of Barre, and lives at 103 Washington Street, that city. He attends the Congregational Church, and is a Republican.

CHARLES E. RYLE

Has been in the granite manufacturing business since 1893, is at present connected with the Columbian Granite Co., and lives at 36 Barre Street, Montpelier, Vt. He was born in Waitsfield, Vt., May 22, 1868, his parents being Michael and Katherine Foley Ryle, natives of Ireland. He attended the public schools of Burlington, Vt., graduating in 1885. Noble Ryle crossed the hot sands in Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., November 18, 1902, and likewise belongs to Aurora Lodge No. 22; King Solomon R. A. Chapter No. 7; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M., and Mt. Zion Commandery No. 9, K. T. He is also a member of Montpelier Lodge of Elks, the Modern Woodmen of America, and the Apollo Club of Montpelier. His wife is Emma Ryle, and they have five children: Hazel G., Agnes R., Charles E., Jr., Evelyn B., and Homer G. Whist is his favorite pastime. He is a Liberal in religious matters, and a Democrat in politics.

WILLIAM H. NELMS

Of Taylorville, Ill., was born in Stonington, Ill., March 11, 1864, the son of James D. Nelms, born June 23, 1823, in Kentucky and Sarah L. Neeley Nelms born in Tennessee in 1833. His parents are living. He was educated in Washington, D. C., graduating from Georgetown University in 1898 and from Columbian University in 1899, from both of which institutions he received the degree of Master of Laws, and from the school of comparative jurisprudence and diplomacy of George Washington University in 1900 with the degree of Doctor of Civil Law. He was married in Washington, April 10, 1894, to Minnie Brown of Taylorville, daughter of Samuel and Amanda Brown, the former born February 19, 1818, and the latter in 1838, both still living. They have one child, William C., born December 14, 1901. Noble Nelms has been associate counsel for the Reisch Indemnity Co. of Springfield, Ill., since November 20, 1909. From March 10, 1894, to March 10, 1909, he was in the government service. He belongs to Aurora Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple in April, 1905. In politics he is a Democrat.

WILLIAM G. REYNOLDS

A hardware merchant of Barre, Vt., was born in Portland, Ore., March 2, 1873, of American parentage. His father, George J. Reynolds, has passed on, but his mother, whose maiden name was Jane M. Maxham, is still living. He received his education in Goddard Seminary. In 1895 the firm of Reynolds & Son was established, to deal in hardware, and he has been a member of it for the fifteen years of its life. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple, December 12, 1902, and is also connected with Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M., and St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T. He is a member of the Elks, and likewise of the Vincitia Club of Barre. In 1894 he was married to Miss Anna Taplin of Barre, and two children have been born to them: Cleora and Leone. Their home is on North Main Street, Barre. Noble Reynolds is a Universalist in his religious belief, while in politics he is a Republican. Fishing and automobiling are the pastimes of which he is fondest.

JOHN W. McDONALD

A granite manufacturer of Barre, Vt., where he is connected with the Consolidated Quarry, is a native of Winslow, province of Quebec, Canada, and is the son of William McDonald, a native of Scotland, and Anne McIver McDonald, who was born in Lewis Island, Scotland. He gained his education in the schools of Winslow, and later, on removing to Vermont, entered the granite business in 1889 at Barre. He has been with the Consolidated Quarry since 1905. Noble McDonald belongs to Granite Lodge; Granite R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T., and is in Mt. Sinai Temple, and is likewise enrolled in the Order of Scottish Clans. He is married; his wife was Katherine McLeay. He attends the Presbyterian Church, and in politics is affiliated with the Democratic Party. Hunting is his favorite form of sport.

JOHN H. SENTER

A prominent attorney of Montpelier, Vt., is one of the best known members of the Masonic fraternity of Vermont, as well as being one of the leaders of the Democratic Party of the State. He has served the people in a number of public offices of trust. He was mayor, a representative to the legislature from his city, state's attorney, United States district attorney for the district of Vermont, a member of the special commission on taxation, a justice of the peace for twenty-five years, a city attorney, and at one time superintendent of schools in Warren and Montpelier. He was born in Cabot, Vt., November 11, 1848, and was educated in the public schools of Vermont and at the high school in Concord, N. H. His father was Dearborn B. Senter, born April 22, 1790, and his mother, whose maiden name was Susan C. Lyford, was born September 22, 1808. He has been engaged in the practice of law for the past thirty-one years, being a member of the firm of Senter & Senter. He was married to Miss Addie G. Martin, November 30, 1875, and five children have been born to them: Frank G., Clarence H., Mabel Addie, John, Jr., and Clara May Senter. Noble Senter is a member of Aurora Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., having joined December 13, 1900. He was a representative to the Imperial Council at Louisville, Ky., in 1909. In addition to his Masonic connections he is affiliated with several other orders. He belongs to the Odd Fellows, having filled official posts in that institution, and also is a member of Vermont Lodge, Thomas Wildey Encampment, Patriarchs Militant, and is enrolled in the Elks. He is fond of rifle shooting, as well as of fishing and hunting.

GEORGE N. TILDEN

In the mercantile business from 1892 up to the present time in Barre, Vt., where he lives. He has been, since 1901, connected with the establishment of George N. Leddon in that city. He was born in Northfield, Vt, August 5, 1873, the son of Charles B. Tilden, born September 12, 1839, and Lizzie McDerment, a native of Hills, Scotland, who was born April 20, 1845. Both his father and mother are living. He attended the Northfield public schools graduating from the high school in 1891. He was assistant postmaster of Northfield from 1894 to 1898, and has been first lieutenant of Company F of the 1st Vermont Regiment. Noble Tilden belongs to Mt. Sinai Temple; DeWitt Clinton Lodge No. 15 of Northfield; Granite R. A. Chapter No. 26; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M., and St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11, K. T. He is also a member of Clan Gordon, Order of Scottish Clans. He was married, in 1896, to Miss Florence Halden, daughter of Clark and Myra Halden of Barre. Noble Tilden was formerly a baseball enthusiast, but of late has been greatly devoted to golf, being a member of the Barre Golf Club. In 1908-09 he represented the city in the Vermont Legislature. He is a Liberal in religious matters, and has served on the Democratic Committee.

CLARENCE D. WATERS

General freight and ticket agent of the Montpelier & Wells River Railroad at Montpelier, Vt., is enrolled in Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also a member of North Star Lodge No. 8 of Lancaster, N. H.; Oxford R. A. Chapter, and Oxford Council, R. & S. M., of Norway, Maine, and of North Star Commandery, K. T., of Lancaster. He is likewise affiliated with St. Johnsbury Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star.

BURT HEATH WELLS

A druggist of Barre, Vt., was born December 9, 1860, and attended the public schools of Washington County, Vt., graduating from the grammar school. His father, Sidney O. Wells, was born November 13, 1836, and his mother, Irene Abbott Heath, was born August 15, 1835. He entered the drug business in 1901, following it ever since, and at present is proprietor of the Red Cross Pharmacy of Barre. Noble Wells has served as city clerk and treasurer, and clerk of the school board of Barre, treasurer of the Cemetery Commissioners from 1895 to 1903, and was postmaster of Barre from 1890 to 1895. He was married, in 1881, to Miss Nelly Farnsworth of Woodbury, Vt., and they have one child living, a daughter. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., January 5, 1890. He is also a member of Granite Lodge No. 35; Granite R. A. Chapter; St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection and Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J. He is fond of automobiling which is his favorite pastime.

FRANK G. WHEATON

General manager of the Wetmore & Morse Granite Co. of Montpelier, Vt., was born in Barre, Vt., February 10, 1880. His parents, Clarence A. and Mary G. Wheaton, are still living. He attended the public schools of Barre and Goddard Seminary, later taking a course in a business college in Albany, N. Y. He was clerk and bookkeeper in a grocery store of Barre, Vt., for five years, after which he was clerk for Swift & Co., of Chicago, for a time, and later bookkeeper for McDonald, Cutler & Co. of Barre, taking his present position, March 1, 1907. In addition to being in Mt. Sinai Temple, he is connected with Granite Lodge No. 35; Granite R. A. Chapter No. 26; Montpelier Council No. 4, R. & S. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory, 32°. He is also a member of the Vincitia Club of Barre and the Montpelier Country Club of Montpelier. His home is at 22 Liberty Street, Montpelier,

CLAYTON A. BARROWS

Of Barton, Vt., is a native of Lenoxville, Quebec, where he was born January 18, 1884. He is a freight cashier and telegraph operator for the Boston & Maine Railroad, having started in the employ of that company in 1903. His parents were William H. and Alzada Nichols Barrows, of whom his father alone survives. Noble Barrows attended Derby Academy and Tilton Seminary. He was married to Clara M., daughter of F. K. Powell of Barton, Vt., June 5, 1906. They have one child, Ronald P. Barrows. He received Masonic "Light" in Orleans Lodge; was given the capitular degrees in Keystone R. A. Chapter; was knighted in Malta Commandery, and is a member of Mt. Sinai Temple. He is in the railroad Order of Telegraphers, and is a Republican.

GEORGE H. DAVIS

Of Barton, Vt., was born in West Burke, March 22, 1862, and attended the public schools of that place. His father was Leander Davis and his mother Mary Jacobs Davis. He has been a merchant twenty years, and at present is a member of the firm of G. H. Davis Company, merchants. He was married, July 8, 1888, to Lizzie G. Nelson, daughter of B. M. R. and Martha E. Nelson of Barton. They have two children: Annie J., born August 10, 1892, and Earl G., born June 15, 1897. Noble Davis is a member of Orleans Lodge, F. & A. M.; Keystone R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Burlington Lodge of Perfection; Burlington Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is a Republican, and his religious belief is Congregationalist. He also has a residence in Pasadena, Cal.

JEROME T. FLINT

Of Derby Line, Vt., was born in St. Johnsbury, Vt., October 14, 1844, and attended the local schools there. For the past forty years he has been engaged in business as a druggist. He filled the position of postmaster of Derby Line twenty years, between 1870 and 1895, and has been identified with the Republican Party in politics ever since 1864. Noble Flint belongs to Memphremagog Lodge; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; Vermont Council, P. of J.; Vermont Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1895.

WARREN WOODBURY McGREGOR

A carpenter and builder of Bethlehem, N. H., was born in that town June 15, 1858, the son of Willard A. and Almira Blandin McGregor, both of Bethlehem. His father, who was born January 25, 1823, has passed away; but his mother, born March 2, 1825, is still living at the advanced age of eighty-five. He was married October 28, 1891, to Eulie Chamberlain, daughter of Mrs. John Dutton of Bethlehem. They have one child, George G., who was born May 26, 1899. Noble McGregor is a Democrat. He belongs to Burns Lodge of Littleton; Franklin R. A. Chapter; Omega Council, R. & S. M.; St. Girard Commandery, K. T.; Lancaster Lodge of Perfection; Littleton Council, P. of J.; Littleton Chapter of Rose Croix; New Hampshire Consistory, 32°, and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1895. He has been elected to various town offices in Bethlehem.

FRANKLIN D. HALE

Residing in Lunenburg, Vt., is at present American consul at Port of Spain, Trinidad, B. W. I., where he has been stationed since 1902. He is a lawyer, and the son of Sprague Taylor and Nancy May Moulton Hale, both of Vermont. He was born in Barnet, Vt., March 7, 1854, and is a high school graduate; later he attended the law school of the University of Michigan, and graduated in 1877. Noble Hale was state's attorney of Essex County from 1883 to 1890, and treasurer of the department of Cuba in 1899. He is a member of Moose River Lodge of West Concord, Vt.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M., and Palestine Commandery, K. T. of St. Johnsbury, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He has been twice married. His first wife was Addie L. Silsby, and his second, Jennie A. Silsby, daughter of Hon. Levi and Susan D. Silsby. His children are: Susan M., born in 1886; Charles S., born in 1891, and Bernard F., born in 1896. He is a Congregationalist, and follows the Republican Party.

RAY P. WEBSTER

A flour, feed and grain merchant of Barton, Vt., and has been engaged in the mercantile business for the past ten years. He was born in Irasburg, Vt., December 30, 1880, the son of Albert and Emily Bryant Webster, both of American birth, still living. His father was born in 1845, and his mother in 1846. He received his education in Barton Academy. September 24, 1908, he was married to Ruth M. Barron, daughter of E. W. and Nell Young Barron of Charleston, Vt. Noble Webster is connected with Orleans Masonic Lodge; Keystone R. A. Chapter; Newport Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; Burlington Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered in 1907, and also holds membership in the Barton Boat and the Le Bauac clubs of Barton. He is a lover of the great American game of baseball, and in political matters acts with the Republican Party.

REV. HOWARD F. HILL

Of Concord, N. H., is a Past Potentate of Mt. Sinai Temple, and one of its most active and highly respected members. He is one of the very few Episcopal priests who has served as Potentate of a Temple of the Order of the Mystic Shrine, though many have served in other capacities in the official divans. Noble Hill has been devoted to Masonry for many years, and in 1885 received the thirty-third degree. His membership is in Blazing Star Lodge, F. & A. M.; Trinity Chapter, R. A. M.; Horace Chase Council, R. & S. M.; Mount Horeb Commandery, Knights Templar; Gamaliel Washington Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, Princes of Jerusalem; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory of the Scottish Rite. Dr. Hill was born in Concord, July 21, 1846, the son of John M. Hill and Elizabeth Chase. He was graduated from Dartmouth College in 1867 and was the father of the college color. From 1868 to 1874 he was editor of the New Hampshire "Daily Patriot." Dr. Hill became later a candidate for holy orders and was made a Bachelor of Divinity by the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, in 1879. He has held pastorates at Ashland, N. H.; Montpelier, Vt.; Amesbury, Mass., and Pittsfield, N. H. He is now the Bishop's Examining Chaplain in New Hampshire, as formerly in Vermont. In politics Dr. Hill is a Democrat, and was a member of the New Hampshire Legislature from 1895 to 1899, and from 1907 to the present time has been a member of the Concord City government. He was chaplain of the Vermont National Guard from 1883 to 1895, and has also been trustee of the University of Vermont from 1886 to 1891, and trustee of the Norwich, Vt., University since 1895. The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon him by Norwich University in 1891, and the degree of Ph. D. by Dartmouth in 1887. He received the degree (ad eundem A.M.) from Trinity and Bishop's (Canada) Colleges. Besides his Masonic honor of the thirty-third degree, Dr. Hill is a member of the Royal Order of Constantine. His devotion to all branches of Masonry has been great, and he is the designer of the seal of Mt. Sinai Temple. Dr. Hill married Laura S. Tebbetts, October 17, 1870. He is a member of Wonolancet and Passaconaway (Country) clubs, and the Boston Athletic and City clubs. He is at the present time president of the New Hampshire Sons of the American Revolution.

MOSES A. HASTINGS

A resident of Lancaster, N. H. He studied for the legal profession, and since 1874 has been in the service of the United States and the State of New Hampshire, having been for many years clerk of the superior court of Coos county, and also of the circuit court. He was born in Bethel, Maine, December 31, 1848. He attended the public schools and later Gould's Academy, from which he graduated after fitting for college. His father was Gideon Hastings of Bethel, Vt., and his mother, who was from Rumford, Maine, was Dolly R. Kimball Hastings. Noble Hastings was married in Philadelphia in June, 1884, to Miss Annie F. Poor, daughter of Daniel Poor of Ceylon, and has one child, Warren Hastings. He belongs to North Star Lodge, of which he is master; North Star R. A. Chapter; North Star Commandery, K. T., where he is eminent commander, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He likes all forms of outdoor sports, but is especially partial to hunting and fishing. He votes the Democratic ticket, and is a member of the Congregational Church.

SHERWOOD C. CASE

Of Lancaster, N. H., was born in Lubec, Maine. His parents are Joseph B. and Ida Gove Case. He attended the public school in Lubec and was graduated from the high school there in 1889. Noble Case belongs to North Star Lodge, of which he is junior deacon; North Star R. A. Chapter; North Star Commandery, K. T.; the Eastern Star, and Mt. Sinai Temple since 1908. He has been connected with the George M. Stevens & Sons Co. since 1907. Both he and his wife are members of the Congregational Church. His favorite pastimes are baseball, hunting and fishing, and he is a great reader of newspapers.

HARLEY T. SEAVER

Of Barton, Vt., has conducted a successful hardware business in this town from 1884 up to the present time. He represented the town in the legislature in 1902 and has also been village trustee and school trustee. He was born in Albany, Vt., July 24, 1860, the son of Gillman W. and Eliza Rowell Seaver, and was educated in the schools of North Troy, Vt., and St. Johnsbury Academy. In January, 1885, he was married to Amanda Davison, daughter of A. and Augusta Davison of Craftsbury, Vt. They have two children: A. Clemma, born March 24, 1889, and Amory D., born in July, 1893. Noble Seaver belongs to Orleans Lodge; Keystone R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; Joseph W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1894. In politics he is a Republican.

GEORGE EDWARD MANN

Of Woodsville, N. H., is assistant superintendent of the Woodsville Aqueduct Company of that place. By profession he is an electrician, having followed that line for the past twenty years. He is a son of Ezra B., and Ellen Bisbee Mann, both American born. His father and mother are still living. He attended the public schools of Woodsville. He is a member of the Episcopal Church, a Democrat in politics and autoing is his favorite form of recreation. He belongs to Kane Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Franklin R. A. Chapter; Hiram Council, R. & S. M.; St. Girard Commandery, K. T.; North Star Lodge of Perfection; Princes Council, P. of J.; Littleton Chapter of Rose Croix; New Hampshire Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He became a Shriner, December 9, 1898. He is likewise connected with the Order of Red Men.

NATHAN M. SCOTT

Of Barton, Vt., has been conducting a grocery and milling business for more than half a century, having started that line in 1858. He was born in Sandwich, N. H., and attended the schools of Greensburgh and Glover, N. H. He was married to Elvira S. Bean of Glover, and they have four children: F. A., born in 1848; Amos W., born in 1850; Harry M., born in 1866, and Mrs. Myrtle E. Browning, born in 1872. Noble Scott, in spite of his great age, is fond of traveling, and for the past twenty years has been a justice of the peace at Barton, and has also filled the position of deputy sheriff for an equal period. He belongs to Orleans Lodge; Keystone R. A. Chapter; Newport Council, R. & S. M.; Newport Commandery, K. T., and was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in 1894.

TRUE E. PRESCOTT

Of Laconia, N. H., was born there June 1, 1852, the son of Enoch B. Prescott of Pittsfield, N. H., and Hannah G. Thyng Prescott. He received his education in the public schools of Laconia and at the Bryant & Stratton Business College, Manchester, N. H. He was married in Tilton, N. H., to Ada M. Garmon, daughter of Charles B. and Laura Philbrook Garmon of Tilton, his wife's mother being a native of Sanbornton, N. H. One child has been born to them, Edgar B., now twenty-one years old and a student in Dartmouth College. Noble Prescott is a member of Mt. Lebanon Lodge; Union R. A. Chapter; Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., into which he was received in 1895. He belongs to the Odd Fellows and also the Elks. In politics he is a Democrat, and was postmaster at Lakeport for five years. Since 1878 he has been engaged in the fire, life, accident and liability insurance business. He likes driving and is fond of all outdoor sports. His reading consists chiefly of historical works.

FRANK SMITH

Of Lancaster, N. H., is senior member of the firm of Frank Smith & Co., of that town, dealers in grain and feed, which was established fifty-seven years ago. He was born in Lunenburg, Vt., September 13, 1833, the son of Chester and Betsey Hutchins Smith, both having passed away sometime since. He was educated in the public schools and Newbury, Vt. Seminary. He has been married four times. His present wife is Martha G. Coffin, daughter of William and Ruth Gilfillan Graham of Peacham, Vt. He has three children: Mrs. Mina Morse, Mrs. Jean Abbott and Frank Chester Smith. Noble Smith is a Democrat and as such served as a representative in the Legislature from Coos County. He is a member of North Star Lodge; R. A. Chapter; K. T. Commandery, and also of the Lodge of Perfection; Council P. of J.; Chapter of Rose Croix, consistory and of Mt. Sinai Temple, which he joined in 1903.

CHARLES O. STEVENS

Of Colebrook, N. H., was born in North Stratford, N. H., December 13, 1868. His parents were Clark Stevens, a native of Maidstone, Vt., and Mary S. Shoff, born in Island Pond, Vt. His mother alone survives. He attended the public schools of North Stratford, and St. Johnsbury Academy. On October 10, 1893, he was married to Mary W. Leavitt, daughter of George S. and Mary E. Rolf Leavitt of Colebrook. Their children are: Clark L., George O., Mable L., and Richard D. Stevens. Noble Stevens has always been engaged in the lumber business. He is a member of Evening Star Lodge; North Star R. A. Chapter; Evening Star Council, R. & S. M.; North Star Commandery, K. T.; North Star Lodge of Perfection; Littleton Council, P. of J.; Littleton Chapter of Rose Croix, and New Hampshire Consistory, and joined the Shrine through Mt. Sinai Temple. He votes the Democratic ticket.

EDWARD E. TIBBETTS

Of Groveton, N. H., was for twenty years in the hotel business in that town, having been proprietor of the Melcher House. Since 1907 he has been conducting a lumber business. He was born in Lovell, Maine, on August 6, 1856, and attended the public schools there. His father, Joseph Tibbetts, was born in Wolfboro, N. H., and his mother, whose maiden name was Mary Hutchins, in Lovell, Maine. He was married in June, 1880, to Sarah Royston, daughter of Norma and Alice Royston of Groveton, and two children have been born to them, Norma Royston, and Alice. Noble Tibbetts belongs to North Star Lodge; North Star R. A. Chapter; North Star Commandery, K. T.; North Star Lodge of Perfection; Littleton Council, P. of J.; New Hampshire Chapter of Rose Croix; New Hampshire Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. In political matters he is a Democrat. He is a great reader of the newspapers and is fond of hunting and fishing as well as automobiling.

WILLIAM H. TINKER

A banker of Charlestown, N. H., where he has long occupied the important position of cashier, was born in Derby, Vt., February 17, 1868, and attended the public schools. His father Henry E. Tinker, was born October 17, 1837, and his mother, January 4, 1839. His wife, was Bertha K. Lawrence, daughter of M. L. Lawrence. They have two children: Lawrence H., born in 1897, and William Dickinson, born in 1901, Noble Tinker belongs to Faithful Lodge; Skitchewaug R. A. Chapter; Holy Cross Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. In politics he is a Republican.

J. H. WELCH

Of Groveton, Vt., was born in that town September 22, 1880, the son of J. W. and Almeda Piper Welch, both of whom are of Vermont. He was married in Boston, April 5, 1905, to Mary I. Perkins, daughter of John B. and Sarah A. Regan Perkins. He is a member of the Universalist Church. Since 1903 Noble Welch has been associated in business with his father, J. W. Welch. He belongs to Benton Lodge; North Star R. A. Chapter; Evening Star Council, R. & S. M.; North Star Commandery, K. T.; New Hampshire Consistory and entered Mt. Sinai Temple, in 1903. In politics he is a Republican, is fond of automobiling, hunting and fishing, and is a close reader of the Boston papers.

ORRIN SARTWELL ABBOTT

A former member of Mt. Sinai Temple, passed into the Unseen Temple, March 20, 1909, aged nearly sixty-one. He was born in Bath, N. H., March 17, 1848. William and Mary Chamberlain Abbott were his parents and both have joined the silent majority. He attended the Wells River, Vt., schools and was identified with lodge, chapter and commandery. His widow, Ella J. Tabor of Wells River, lives in St. Johnsbury, Vt. Noble Abbott had seven children: William T., Ethel, Guy, Ellen M. and Harold C., besides two others who died when young.

HARRY H. CARR

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in 1899. His blue lodge is Passumpsic, his R. A. Chapter is Haswell, he received the crytic degrees in Caledonia Council and was knighted in Palestine Commandery. He is on the roll also of Caledonian Lodge, I. O. O. F., and U. C. T. of St. Johnsbury Council, 230. He was selectman and town representative in 1901 up to 1906. His political affiliations are Republican. Since 1890 he has been in mercantile pursuits. He was born in St. Johnsbury and graduated from the academy in 1884. His marriage took place January 21, 1901, to Miss Nellie A. Blunt, daughter of Colonel A. P. and Mary A. Blunt, of Manchester, N. H. They have three children: Mary D., Harold H., and Edward M. Noble Carr's parents were George W., and Dorcas Hibbard Carr. He attends the Congregational Church. At the present time he is transfer and district agent for the International Harvester Co. of America.

FRED CHANDLER

Of Lyndonville, Vt., was born there January 27, 1876, and attended the public schools of the town, graduating from the Commercial college in 1892. He is a successful farmer, having been engaged as such since 1894. His father, who is still living, is Lewis F. Chandler. His mother's maiden name was Susan Greenleaf. Noble Chandler is a member of Crescent Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also past grand prelate of the Knights of Pythias of Vermont. In politics he is a Republican. He was married, January 1, 1894, to Miss Annie Dickinson of Valley View Stock Farm, Lyndonville. They have two children: Lewis Dickinson and Howard Greenleaf Chandler. His religious faith is Congregational. Traveling is his favorite pastime.

ROBERT A. DAVIDSON

Of Groton, Vt., is a native of Ryegate, Vt., where he received his education. His father was Alexander Davidson, born in Wigtonshire, Scotland, and his mother was Isabel Nelson, a native of Newbury, Vt. His father is still living at Groton. Noble Davidson was married, June 3, 1908, at Groton, choosing as his life companion, Annie B. Heath, daughter of Robert T. Heath and Ida May Plummer, both natives of Groton. They have one child, Ida May. Noble Davidson is a member of the firm of Clark & Davidson, grain dealers, and also the Clark & Davidson Electric Light and Power Company. He is the present senior warden of Pulaski Lodge No. 58, A. F. & A. M., and is a member of Mt. Lebanon Royal Arch Chapter, of Bradford, Vt. The Templar Order was conferred upon him by Palestine Commandery No. 5, of St. Johnsbury, Vt. The degree of nobility was given him by Mt. Sinai Temple, May 2, 1907. He is also a member of theModern Woodmen of America.

TRUMAN C. FLETCHER

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born in Underhill, Vt., October 27, 1845. He was educated in Pulsdam Academy and Williston Academy, Vermont, and entered upon a commercial career, from which he retired. At present he is president of the St. Johnsbury Electric Co., which position he assumed in 1887. His father was Frederick Fletcher and his mother, Beulah Chittenden Fletcher. Noble Fletcher was twice married. By his first marriage he had two children. In 1901 he was married to his second wife, Belle Small, daughter of Gilbert and Sarah S. Small of Amherst, N. H. He belongs to Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. His favorite form of recreation is driving and automobiling. He is a Republican.

ELISHA N. DUNBAR

Born in Swanton, Vt., September 7, 1844, is a miller and for some time past has been engaged in the grain business. He is a Republican, and has been a justice of the peace for two years. His parents were Almon C. Dunbar, and Fanny Crawford Dunbar, both Americans. He attended the Swanton schools. Noble Dunbar was married to Lucinda M. Munholland, born in St. Albans, the daughter of Joseph and Maria Shaw, April 18, 1878. Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar reside in West Danville and have two children, both of whom are married: Jessie M., now Mrs. J. H. Bessette, and Harvey B., who was married to Miss Maud Burnham. He gives allegiance to Mineral Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Haswell Chapter, R. A. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. By religious affiliation he is a Baptist.

E. E. GAGE

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born there January 13, 1867, attending the public schools of his native city. Since 1890, he has been manager of the St. Johnsbury Electric Company. He attended the public schools of St. Johnsbury. In 1892, Noble Gage was married to Miss Carrie Ford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Ford of St. Johnsbury. He is a member of Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He also belongs to Lawrence Lodge, I. O. O. F. and is a Republican.

LAMBERT W. HASTINGS

Born in Concord, Vt., August 29, 1868, and went to the public schools of his native town. His parents were Hubbard and Caroline Morgan Hastings; only his mother is living. He has been an active lumber merchant for many years, and at present is connected with the Hastings Supply Co. of St. Johnsbury. Noble Hastings is a member of Moose River Lodge of Concord, Vt.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He was married in December, 1889, to Lena Brigham, daughter of Rufus S. and Alby Cheney Brigham of Concord, Vt., and has three children: Hibbard, born November 13, 1890; R. Brigham, born September 1, 1899, and Ruth M., born May 21, 1901. He was a state representative from his native town and acted as selectman 1901-02 and 1903-06. He now lives in St. Johnsbury, Vt.

MARCUS J. HOVEY

A farmer and wool dealer of St. Johnsbury, Vt., also chairman of the board of selectmen, which position he entered upon the present year. He was born in St. Johnsbury, September 27, 1867. His father was Jacob G. and his mother Sarah J. Graves Hovey. His mother is living at the age of seventy-two. He received his education in the St. Johnsbury Academy. Noble Hovey is a member of Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection, Burlington Council, P. of J., Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, Vermont Consistory, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He was married, December 14, 1892, to Lilla F. Griswold, daughter of Henry F. and Frances Johnson Griswold. They have one child, Franklin G. Hovey.

ALBRO F. NICHOLS

Clerk of courts at St. Johnsbury, Vt., where his home is, was chosen to that position in 1888, and has continued to fill the office ever since. He is a lawyer by profession, having been admitted to the bar in 1873. He was born in Lyndon, Vt., on March 24, 1850. Both his father and mother, who are of American birth, are living at a very advanced age. His father, Hiram M. Nichols, was born in March, 1821, and his mother, Louise E. Stoddard Nichols, August 18, 1829. Noble Nichols went to the public schools in New Hampshire, graduating from the high school in 1871. For the four years from 1890 to 1894 he was a senator. He was married, December 17, 1877, to Lucella S. Freeman, daughter of Lucius S. Freeman of Waterford, Vt. They have no children. He is a member of Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple as far back as November 24, 1880. He has been crowned in the 33° Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite, N. M. J.

HORACE A. KIDDER

A member of the hardware firm of R. P. Kidder & Son of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born June 21, 1867, in Dalton, N. H., of American parentage. His father, Rollin P. Kidder, born November 6, 1837, is living. He attended the schools of St. Johnsbury, and on June 1, 1899, was married to Lottie A. Borland, daughter of Robert and Abbie Borland. For twenty years he has been engaged in the hardware trade. Noble Kidder entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1895. Prior to that he had become connected with Moose River Masonic Lodge of Concord, N. H.; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection; Burlington Council, P. of J., and Vermont Consistory 32°. He lives at 136 Railroad Street, St. Johnsbury. In politics he is a Republican.

HENRY J. GOODRICH

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., is a native of Norwich, Vt., the son of Leonard H. and Julia M. Hubbard Goodrich. He was born, June 18, 1861, and attended the schools of Randolph, Vt. Since 1890, he has been carrying on a successful hardware, heating and plumbing business. Noble Goodrich was married January 21, 1883, to Julia E. Moulton, daughter of Arthur and Elizabeth Ramsey, and has three children: Freda M., Claude M. and Vera E. Goodrich. He belongs to Passumpsic Lodge, Haswell R. A. Chapter, Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Vermont Consistory and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.

FRANK D. PERKINS

A jeweler of West Danville, Vt., has been engaged in that particular line of business for the past thirty years. He was born in Walden, Vt., October 8, 1856, and attended the Walden public schools. He was the son of William C. Perkins. His mother was born in 1837, and is still living. He is a Methodist and a Democrat. He was married, August 11, 1883, to Marcia S. Bowles, and they have one child, Grover C. Noble Perkins belongs to Danville Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the latter in 1902. He is also in the Eastern Star. For two years he filled the official position of lister in his town.

ELWIN ALONZO SILSBY

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., now has charge of the order department of E. & T. Fairbanks & Co., scale manufacturers. He has been in their employ since April 1, 1887. He also holds the position of manager and treasurer of the Vermont International Telegraph Co., having been in the employ of that corporation since January, 1883. He has been connected with telegraphy since 1874, learning the business in Lyndonville, Vt., and serving as manager of Western Union offices in St. Johnsbury and Bellows Falls, Vt. He was born in Lunenburg, Vt., December 12, 1854, the son of Lewis and Sophronia Ford Silsby, both of American birth. His parents are no longer living. He received his education in the public schools and St. Johnsbury Academy. He is single, and is fond of fishing, golf and music. He served as chorister of the North Congregational Church in St. Johnsbury about twenty years. His home is at 30 Central Street, St. Johnsbury. Noble Silsby is a member of Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple, the last mentioned since 1894. He also holds membership in the Old Pine Golf Club of St. Johnsbury, Vermont Fish and Game League, and Old Timers' Telegraph Association. In 1901 he made a tour of Egypt, Palestine, Italy, and France, and has traveled quite extensively throughout the United States.

TIMOTHY H. UNDERWOOD

Of St. Johnsbury, Vt., has been an electrician with the Fairbanks Scales Co. of that town ever since 1876, a period of thirty-three years. He has also been chief of the fire department five years. He was born in Lyme, N. H., and received his education in St. Johnsbury Academy. His parents, both of whom were of American birth, are no longer living. His father was Russell Underwood and his mother Eliza Allen Hurd Underwood. He was married to Mary E. Grant, daughter of John J. and Nancy Sampson Grant, October 19, 1906, and they have one child, Harry G. Underwood. Noble Underwood is greatly interested in the culture of honey bees and the breeding of fancy pigeons, these being his particular hobbies. He is a Republican. He belongs to Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and joined Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1908. He is also a past grand in the Odd Fellows.

FRANK E. SPALDING

Has been engaged in the business of a marketman in St. Johnsbury, Vt., since 1898. For three years he held the position of trustee of the village, and was also a director of the St. Johnsbury Gas Co. He was born in St. Johnsbury Center, July 27, 1861, of American parents, Bethual W. and Jane R. Read Spalding. He was married, August 2, 1887, to Dora L. Astel, daughter of Joseph and Rachel Astel. Her parents have passed away. Five children have been born to them: Ray W., Lyle G., Marjorie J., Marion E., and Lois D. Their home is at 51 Summer Street, St. Johnsbury. Noble Spalding received his education in Morrisville Academy. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1898, and also belongs to Passumpsic Lodge No. 27; Haswell R. A. Chapter No. 11, and Palestine Commandery No. 5, K. T. In politics he is a Republican

GEORGE B. SPAULDING

A retired merchant of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was born in that city, July 25, 1853, of American parentage. His father, B. Washburn Spaulding, was born March 10, 1925, and his mother, whose maiden name was Jane R. Keach, October 18, 1835. He attended the district schools, graduating in 1870. January 1, 1876, he was married to Elizada S. Weeks, daughter of Samuel C. and Salome Weeks. They have no children. Noble Spaulding is a member of Passumpsic Lodge No. 27; Haswell R. A. Chapter No. 11; Caledonia Council No. 13, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery No. 5, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection; Montpelier Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1895. He is a Republican, a member of the Baptist Church, and his home is at 8 Railroad Street, St. Johnsbury.

EDWIN L. SPENCER

A foreman in the plant of the Fairbanks Scales Co. of St. Johnsbury, Vt., for the past forty years, his special line being in the capacity of a tinsmith. He was born in St. Johnsbury, April 12, 1850, and attended the public schools of his native place. His parents, both of American birth, no longer survive. His father, T. R. Spencer, was born in 1818, and his mother, whose maiden name was Catherine Thompson, in 1821. Noble Spencer was married, in 1870, to Adelia Woodbury, daughter of Benjamin and Mary Adams Woodbury of Concord, Vt. They have three children: Gertrude, Albert R. and Maybelle L. He attends the Universalist Church, and in politics he is a Republican. He belongs to Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He became a Shriner in 1903. He is past master, high priest and thrice illustrious in the first three bodies named. He is, too, a member of the New England Order of Protection.

H. H. TILLOTSON

Born in Belvidere, Vt., the son of Darius G. and Eliza A. Thresher Tillotson, his mother alone surviving. He entered Mt. Sinai Temple, November 15, 1907, and also belongs to Caspian Lake Lodge No. 87; Hiram R. A. Chapter No. 27, and Lamoille Commandery No. 13, K. T. He is a single man and is at present living at 502 Pine Street, Seattle, Wash., where his home has been for some time. He attended the public schools of his native town in Vermont.

ABEL NEWTON CAMP

Of Morrisville, Vt., is a manufacturer of fire and lumber wagons at that place. He was born in Elmore, Vt., July 5, 1874, the son of Lyman L. and Hattie W. Camp. Besides attending the public schools, he took a commercial course in Albany business college (N. Y.). He is unmarried, and belongs to the Palestine Social Club; Knights of Pythias, and Sons of Veterans. He holds membership in Mt. Vernon Masonic Lodge; Tucker R. A. Chapter, of which he is Royal Arch captain, and Lamoille Commandery, where he is generalissimo. He was admitted to Mt. Sinai Temple in 1904.

JOHN R. SOMERVILLE

Has been connected with the Fairbanks Scales Co. of St. Johnsbury, Vt., thirty-six years and in the capacity of contractor and builder the past twelve years. He was foreman of the fire department for about twelve years. He was born in New Armagh, province of Quebec, Canada, and attended the schools there. Both his father and mother, Richard Thomas and Frances Thurber Somerville, were Americans. Noble Somerville was married to M. Gertrude Campbell Baker, December 8, 1904. His home is at 24 Main Street, St. Johnsbury. He belongs to Passumpsic Lodge; Haswell R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery, K. T.; Mizpah Lodge of Perfection; Montpelier Council, P. of J., and entered Mt. Sinai Temple in 1898. He acts with the Republican Party in political matters.

JOSEPH E. WALKER

A granite manufacturer of St. Johnsbury, Vt., is a native of Inverness, Canada, the son of William and Mary Patterson Walker. His father was a native of Scotland, while his mother was of English birth. He attended the schools of Inverness. Nearly twenty years ago he was married to Annie M. Somerville, and three children have been born to them: Della Mae, now seventeen years old; Hazel Margaret, aged sixteen, and Raymond S., eleven years old. Noble Walker has been conducting a granite manufacturing business for himself for the past twelve years. He is a member of Passumpsic Lodge No. 27; Haswell R. A. Chapter No. 11; Caledonia Council No. 13, R. & S. M.; Palestine Commandery No. 5, K. T.; Montpelier Council, P. of J.; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and Mt. Sinai Temple, which he entered in 1904. He is a Republican in political matters, and is affiliated with the Methodist Church. His home is at 2 Bagley Street, St. Johnsbury.

WALTER F. BENSON

Born in Stowe, Vt., in 1869, attended the common schools there, and in 1904 entered into the business of men's furnishings in that town. He belongs to the Pastime Club and is affiliated with the Republican Party. His membership in Mt. Sinai Temple was acquired in 1895. Noble Benson is enrolled in Stowe Lodge, F. & A. M.; Tucker Chapter, R. A. M., and Lamoille Commandery, K. T. He resides in Morrisville, Vt.

THOMAS C. CHENEY

Of Morrisville, Vt., was born in Morristown, Vt., October 10, 1868, and is by profession a lawyer. His parents, both of whom are living, are William S. and Mary E. Gates Cheney. He was educated in the People's Academy, graduating in 1886, and received the degree of A. B. from the University of Vermont in 1891. He was chosen second assistant clerk of the Vermont House of Representatives in 1894, first assistant clerk in 1896, and was clerk from 1898 to 1906. In the latter year he was elected a member of the House from Morristown and was unanimously chosen the Speaker. He was re-elected as member and Speaker in 1908. Noble Cheney is a Republican, and was admitted to the bar in 1895, and was state's attorney of Lamoille County from 1900 to 1902. January 15, 1896, he was married in Middletown, Conn., to May L. Terrill of that place. He belongs to Mt. Vernon Lodge, of which he was senior deacon; Tucker R. A. Chapter, in which he is C. of H.; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also enrolled in the Knights of Pythias, Vermont Alpha of Phi Beta Theta, and the Pastime Club of Morrisville. He is a director and vice-president of the Vermont Mutual Fire Insurance Co. His religious faith is Congregationalist.

HENRY BATES CUSHMAN

Of Newport, Vt., was born in Irasburg, Vt., December 29, 1855, and received his education in the public schools of that place and in Derby Academy. He is a member of the bar, a Republican, and was chosen county clerk in 1881. He has been county treasurer from 1898 up to the present time. Since January 1, 1906, he has been judge of the Orleans County Municipal Court. His father was Isaac Newton Cushman and his mother Sarah Geddes Cushman, both of Irasburg. He was married April 8, 1885, to Addie G. Trull, daughter of David and Cornelia Jenness Trull of St. Johnsbury. They have one child, Cornelia Magdalene. Noble Cushman belongs to Memphremagog Lodge; Cleveland R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection, and Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also enrolled in the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower descendants, the Knights of Pythias, the Young Men's Improvement Club, and the Newport Yacht Club. He and his wife are Congregationalists. He is fond of fishing, and his favorite reading consists of history and biography.

CARROLL J. DARLING

Born in Albany, Vt., November 4, 1872, the son of Jeremiah B. of Morrisville, Vt., and Alice C. Darling of Lowell, Vt. His parents are still living. He received his education in the Albany and Craftsbury Academies, and October 31, 1894, was married in Burke, Vt., to Sarah A. Carr of that town, daughter of Arnold E. Carr of Lunenburg, Vt., and Mary Jane Parker Carr of St. Johnsbury, Vt. Noble Darling was in the hotel business in Lowell, Mass., from 1892 to 1903, and since the latter year has been engaged in the confectionery line in Oak Bluffs, Mass., where he now lives. He belongs to Pentucket Lodge; Mt. Horeb R. A. Chapter, and Ahasuerus Council, R. & S. M., all of Lowell, Mass.; Malta Commandery, K. T., of Newport, Vt., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also in Oriental Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, of Martha's Vineyard, and the Vermont Association of Boston. He is very fond of horseback riding, and both he and his wife attend the Christian Science Church.

GEORGE DILLINGHAM

Resides in Johnson, Vt., was the son of the late George N. and Electa Covell Dillingham. He was born in Waterbury, Vt., March 26, 1839, and attended the public schools of Randolph, Vt. He was married, September 28, 1867, to Eliza Smith of Johnson, Vt., daughter of Morse and Eliza Bailey Smith. All of the family are Baptists. He has one son, Fred T. Dillingham, born September 29, 1868. His political affiliation is Republican. He has been a clerk with Boyle Bros. since March, 1909, and previously clerk in various stores. For seven years he was overseer for the Cameron Manufacturing Co. His favorite sports are hunting and fishing, and his choice of reading is history. Noble Dillingham's membership in Masonic bodies is with: Waterman Lodge; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Burlington Council, R. & S. M.; also a K. T. Commandery. He spent four years on the Pacific Coast from June, 1862, to 1866. While out with a surveying party he was shot by Indians with poisoned arrows, and out of the fourteen surveyors that went only two returned alive. He is enrolled in Mt. Sinai Temple.

CALVIN LEO GATES

Of Morrisville, Vt., was born at Hyde Park, Vt., March 19, 1858, and received his education at the Lanesville Central Academy. His parents were Benjamin M. Gates and Delia Whittier Gates. He is vice-president and general manager of the Morrisville Lumber and Power Company. September 3, 1882, he was married at Johnson, Vt., to Abbie L. Bullard, daughter of Edwin and Oliva Harrington Bullard of Hyde Park. Their children are: Mary Delia, born November 15, 1889; Marjorie Fluella, born August 29, 1889, and Whittier Bullard, born July 8, 1897. Both he and his wife are Universalists. Noble Gates is a member of Mt. Vernon Lodge; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and also belongs to Rathbone Lodge, Knights of Pythias. He is a Democrat, and has been a member of the Democratic State Committee since June, 1898. Fishing is his favorite pastime, and he is a studious reader of history.

JOHN R. KIRKPATRICK

Of Newport, Vt., was born in Fralesburg, Canada, June 12, 1863, and attended the common schools of Richford, Vt. His father, Andrew Kirkpatrick, was a Scotchman, born in Aberdeen, Scotland, and his mother, Ellen Barry, of Irish descent, was born in Berkshire, Vt. He was married to Miss Hila Baldwin, daughter of Thomas and Joanna Baldwin, October 16, 1885. Noble Kirkpatrick is fond of hunting, fishing, and autoing. He has been railroading twenty-five years, and has been in the mercantile business the past seven years. His parents were Episcopalians. His Masonic affiliations are with Memphremagog Lodge, of which he is master; Cleveland Chapter; Orleans Council, and Malta Commandery, K. T., and has been in Mt. Sinai Temple since 1902. He is a Democrat, is town representative, and is especially interested in railroading, having been an agent of the Canadian Pacific.

JAMES MICHAEL KELLEY

Resides in Morrisville, was born in Londonderry, Ireland, December 27, 1872. He is of Irish parentage, his father having been Daniel Kelley. He went to school in Clarenceville, Canada. February 25, 1882, he was married to Miss Addie Patch, daughter of J. H. and James Davis Patch, residents of Fletcher, Vt. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley have one child, Maurice Leslie, born in February, 1884. The family is connected with the Congregational Church. His favorite reading is found in the leading magazines, standard novels, and current literature. He is a Democrat, and is a member of the County Democratic Committee, is fond of baseball and takes great interest in all outdoor sports. Noble Kelley has been actively engaged in railroad and express business, and is now station agent of St. J. & L. C. Railroad, and agent of American Express Co., the former since 1889 and the latter since 1891. He is enrolled in Mt. Vernon Lodge; was scribe in 1897 of Tucker R. A. Chapter, and junior warden of Lamoille Commandery, K. T., at its start. He belongs to Coral Chapter of the Eastern Star, and the Pastime Club of Morrisville. He joined Mt. Sinai Temple in 1904.

GEORGE LUMSDEN MACDIARMID

A member of the firm of Macdiarmid & Co., which conducts a general store in Newport, Vt., has been engaged in business there from 1892 to 1909. He was born in Osgoode, Ontario, Canada, December 19, 1859, and attended the public schools of Arnprior, Ontario, graduating from the high school. His father was James Macdiarmid, a native of Scotland, and his mother, Mary Cameron, was a native of Canada. They are both dead. He was married to Miss Ida Baldwin of Newport in June, 1888. She was a daughter of Thomas Baldwin of Coventry, Vt., and Joanna Houghton, a native of Vermont. Her mother is still living. They have no children. Hunting and fishing are his chief pastimes, while his reading runs largely to historical and political works. From 1879 to 1892 he was engaged in railroading with the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., but in the latter year he established the present firm with which he is connected. He belongs to Memphremagog Lodge; Caledonia R. A. Chapter; Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, 32°, and has been a member of Mt. Sinai Temple ever since 1884. He is a Democrat, and one of the Memphremagog Yacht Club.

HON. GEORGE M. POWERS

Judge of the Supreme Court of Vermont, is the son of H. Henry and Caroline E. Waterman Powers of Morrisville, Vt., both of whom are living. He was born in Hyde Park, Vt., December 19, 1861, received his education at the People's Academy and the University of Vermont, graduating from the latter institution in 1883. Later he entered upon the practice of law, and was elected to the State House of Representatives for the term from 1896 to 1908. In 1890-06 he was secretary of the senate, and was judge of the Supreme Court from June, 1904, to December, 1906, when the judiciary system was changed. He was superior judge and chancellor from December, 1906, to January, 1909, and judge of the Supreme Court since. Noble Powers was married in Burlington in April, 1893, to Gertrude Frances Woodbury, daughter of Urban A., and Pauline Darling Woodbury of Burlington. They have three children: Mildred Dorothy, born December 8, 1897; Elizabeth Lilian, born September 17, 1899, and Horace Henry, born July 18, 1895. Judge Powers belongs to Mt. Vernon Lodge; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Palestine Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he joined March 11, 1898. He is a member of Sterling Lodge of Odd Fellows of Hyde Park, Vt., and Lake Mansfield Trout Club. His reading is largely taken up with judicial works relating to his profession.

ENOS HERMAN SHERWIN

Of Johnson, Vt., the son of Lyman B. and Hannah B. Baker Sherwin, was born in Hyde Park, Vt., June 8, 1850, and was educated in the public schools, the People's Academy at Morrisville and the Johnson State Normal School. He has been in the business of manufacturing a fine grade of maple sugar and also dealing in lumber, and for the past twenty-two years has been station agent, American Express Co. agent and telegraph operator at Johnson. As a Republican he was elected a state representative from his town in 1896; was chairman of the selectmen four years, and a village trustee for ten years. He is a leader in the Republican Party of Vermont. Noble Sherwin is a studious reader, keeping himself well posted on current events. He is a member of Waterman Lodge, having been secretary for twelve years; Tucker R. A. Chapter, being secretary and past high priest; Burlington Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, entering the Temple in 1898. He is connected with the Odd Fellows, is a prelate and past chancellor of the K. of P., likewise in the Eastern Star and Johnson Grange. He was married, December 25, 1878, to Flora A. Hogaboom, daughter of John and Martha P. Long Hogaboom of Highgate, Vt.

ALTON WILSON STONE

Of Morrisville, Vt., was born January 17, 1873, at Elmore, Vt., the son of Edgar H. and Mary C. Stone. He was educated at the People's Academy of Elmore and at the Eastman Business College. He entered the boot and shoe business in St. Johnsbury, and later the clothing business in the same city, but in 1906 removed to Morrisville to become the head of the hardware firm of A. W. Stone & Co. He married, June 22, 1892, Minnie R. Gould, daughter of Henry D. Gould of Morrisville. Noble Stone is a member of Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 8, F. & A. M., and is secretary of Tucker Royal Arch Chapter No. 15. He is also sword bearer of Lamoille Commandery No. 13, Knights Templar, and was received into the nobility of Mt. Sinai Temple, July 2, 1908. He is a member of the Pastime Club of Morrisville.

WILLIAM H. TOWNS

A mason and builder of Morrisville, Vt., in which business he has been engaged for the past thirty years. He was born in Morrisville, November 11, 1862, and attended the public schools of Morristown, Vt. His mother's maiden name was Emily Menerig, and she is still living. Fishing and hunting are his favorite pastimes, and he delves largely into general literature in his reading. Noble Towns belongs to Mt. Vernon Lodge; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, of which he has been a member since 1908. He is also in Rathbone Lodge, K. of P., of Morrisville. He was married in Stowe, Vt., in September, 1884, to Ida Almira Lilley, daughter of Charles and Julia Lilley of Hyde Park, Vt. They have three children: Lulu Bell, born in December, 1889; May G., born in February, 1887, and Ballou S., born in March, 1897. Politically he is a Republican.

GLEN ALBERT WILKINS

A well-known insurance agent of Morrisville, Vt., having followed that line several years. Since 1897 he has been district agent of the Travelers' Insurance Co., and holds the distinction of having been awarded the first prize for writing the largest number of policies for his company. Prior to his connection with the company he was engaged with C. H. Crane of Hyde Park, Vt., in the mercantile line, and also with the Weatherby & Page Co. of Jeffersonville, Vt. He was born in Morristown, Vt., June 25, 1875, the son of Austin and Laura Chaffee Wilkins of Morristown, and both parents are living. Noble Wilkins was married in Sheldon, Vt., October 12, 1897, to Clara M. Houghton, daughter of Benjamin and Sarah Marcey Houghton of Waterville, Vt. They have one child, Barbara S. Wilkins, born May 9, 1909. He is a member of Mt. Vernon Lodge; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple since 1904. In addition to these he is enrolled in Burlington Lodge of Elks; Rathbone Lodge, K. of P., of Morrisville, and the Pastime Club of Morrisville. He is fond of autoing, fishing, hunting and all outdoor sports. His reading takes in all that is good in general literature.

L. H. LEWIS

Of Hyde Park, Vt., has been editor of the "News and Citizen" of that place since the year 1878. He was born in Orange County, N. Y., December 2, 1853. He is a Republican in politics and was elected state senator to serve from 1908 to 1910. Noble Lewis belongs to Mt. Vernon Lodge; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., entering the latter in 1905. He is also enrolled in Sterling Lodge of Odd Fellows of Hyde Park, and Rathbone Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Morrisville, and is a member of the Congregational Church.

WILLIAM E. TRACY

A resident of Johnson, Vt., where he is engaged in the practice of law, was born in Belvidere, Vt., November 6, 1874, the son of William H. and Lucinda Brown Tracy. His parents have passed away. He was educated in the Johnson State Normal School, from which he was graduated in 1892. Noble Tracy was married January 7, 1903, in Johnson, to Lillian Hamm, daughter of A. E. and Lucy White Hamm. He taught school for a time before becoming a lawyer, and was state's attorney for Lamoille County in 1906-08. He likes the reading of history and is fond of fishing and hunting. He belongs to Waterman Lodge No. 83; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., and entered Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., in 1908; is also a member of the Knights of Pythias, and of the Sons of Veterans. He is of the Republican Party.

ROBERT JOHN WRIGHT

Deceased, was a resident of Newport, Vt., where he had been cashier of the National Bank from 1878 up to the time he entered the Unseen Temple. Prior to entering the banking business he had been a shirt manufacturer. He was born in Hartford, Conn., May 18, 1851, the son of Isaac M. Wright, a native of England. He attended the schools of Greenfield, Mass., and graduated from the high school there in 1867. He was married to Hortense Sturtevant, daughter of William and Adeline Weld Sturtevant. In his religious affiliations he was a member of the Episcopal Church. Noble Wright was past master in Memphremagog Lodge; past high priest of Cleveland R. A. Chapter; past thrice illustrious master of Orleans Council, R. & S. M.; past commander of Malta Commandery, K. T., and was also connected with the Newport Lodge of Perfection; J. W. Roby Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, as well as being a Noble of Mt. Sinai Temple. He was a member of the Young Men's Improvement Club of Newport, and had always been a diligent reader of history. In politics he was identified with the Republican Party.

WILLIAM J. BOYCE

Of Woodstock, Vt., is a member of Woodstock Lodge, having been made a Master Mason, March 20, 1867; Ottaquechee Chapter, R. A. M.; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, having been received into the latter in 1887. He conducts a general store, having started the business in 1861. October 3, 1844, he was born in Bridgewater, Vt., and attended the public schools in Woodstock. His parents were William and Rowena Montague Boyce. Noble Boyce was married in Woodstock, July 31, 1873, to Miss Josephine Deering, daughter of Benjamin and Juliana Shaw Deering of Stockbridge. They have two children: Aline Juliana and Ralph William. He is a Congregationalist, and is identified with the Republican Party. Riding and driving are his chief pastimes. His reading is confined to magazines and general news. He is a past master of his lodge; past high priest of his chapter, and past grand high priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Vermont.

ARTEMAS N. PEARSON, M. D.

Born in Moretown, Vt., January 8, 1821, the son of Jeremiah and Prudence Pearson. He was a charter member of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and long a prominent figure in it. In his Masonic affiliations he was a member of Aurora Lodge; King Solomon R. A. Chapter; Montpelier Council, R. & S. M.; Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T.; Gamaliel Washburn Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, and Vermont Consistory. He was also a past grand in the Odd Fellows. He was married to Elmira Coburn, one of his children being Josiah A. Pearson. Noble Pearson was connected with the Methodist Church, and in politics was a Republican.

FREDERICK G. CARTER

Born in Lebanon, N. H., August 19, 1865, the son of Henry Wood Carter, a native of Warner, N. H., and Marion A. Rice Carter, a native of Chelsea, Vt., both of whom have passed on. Noble Carter was educated in the Lebanon, N. H., public schools and St. Johnsbury Academy, graduating from the latter June 19, 1885. He was married, May 16, 1892, to Sarah J. Sargent, daughter of Justus and Helen M. Sargent of Lebanon, and one child resulted from the union, Henry Gordon Carter, born March 26, 1899. At the time of his passing away, May 17, 1902, he was engaged in the large manufacturing business built up by his father, being associated with his brother, Augustus H. Carter, and Harry B. Jackson. He was a member of Franklin Lodge No. 6; St. Andrew R. A. Chapter No. 1, and Washington Council No. 10, R. & S. M., all of Lebanon; Mt. Horeb Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He also belonged to Mascoma Lodge of Odd Fellows and Mt. Support Lodge, A. O. U. W., as well as the Langdon Club of Lebanon and the Wonolancet Club of Concord, N. H. For several years he had served as quartermaster of the 3d Regiment, New Hampshire National Guard, and later as captain of Company G. He attended the Unitarian Church, singing for some time in its quartette, having a fine bass voice.

WALTER H. BROWN

Proprietor and publisher of the Vermont Standard at Woodstock, is a native of New Hampshire, and was born May 5, 1854, the son of James F. and Augusta A. Brown. He was educated at Reading, Vt., and graduated from the Woodstock High School. Learning the printer's trade on the Woodstock "Post," Noble Brown has followed this calling since 1873, rising by steady degrees until he became proprietor of the "Standard." He married, November 29, 1877, Emily Pauline Johnson, daughter of Jacob K. Johnson and Pauline French of Bridgeport, Vt. They have no children. Noble Brown has been active in Masonry in Woodstock for many years. He is Secretary of Woodstock Lodge, and is a member of Ottaquechee Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Woodstock. He received the Order of the Temple in Vermont Commandery of Knights Templar in Windsor. Noble Brown has a wide acquaintance throughout Windsor County, and his friendship extends to an even wider area. His favorite diversion from the responsibilities of publishing a newspaper is in the art of angling. Noble Brown is fond of reading, and is unusually well informed. His political affiliations are with the Republican Party, and in his religious faith he is a Universalist.

JOSIAH A. PEARSON

Of Barton, Vt., the son of Artemaus N. and Elmira Coburn Pearson, was born April 24, 1855. Both his father and mother have passed on. He received his education principally in the Vermont Methodist Seminary, and then took up the profession of dentistry, which he has successfully followed from 1877 up to the present time. He is a member of and past master of Orleans Lodge; past high priest of Keystone R. A. Chapter, also a member of Malta Commandery, K. T.; Newport Lodge of Perfection; Mt. Calvary Council, P. of J.; Delta Chapter of Rose Croix; Vermont Consistory, and of Mt. Sinai Temple. He is also a past grand in the Odd Fellows. He has been married twice, his first wife being Finette I. Alden, by whom he had two children: Erwin A. and Clara E. His second wife was Mrs. Annie M. Bridgman. He is a Republican.

FRED E. ATKINS

Joined Mt. Sinai Temple, June 13, 1902. He also bears allegiance to Winooski Masonic Lodge; Waterbury R. A. Chapter; Waterbury Council, R. & S. M., and Mt. Zion Commandery, K. T. He belongs to Lake Mansfield Trout Club, and his favorite pastimes are fishing, shooting and driving, and is a Republican. His business is that of a merchant, having succeeded G. W. Atkins & Son, for twenty-two years at the same stand in Waterbury. Noble Atkins was born in Waterbury, and attended private schools there, also Green Mountain Seminary. His parents were George W. and Amelia Brown Atkins. He was married to Florence Eddy in Waterbury, October 5, 1886, and they have one child, Harold S., of Boston.

OSCAR M. WATERMAN

A clothing and furnishing goods merchant of Morrisville, Vt., has been engaged in that business since March, 1888. He was born in Barre, Vt., October 23, 1859, and was educated in the public schools there and Barre Academy. His father was Lewis Waterman, a native of Orange, Vt., and his mother Sarah Penniman Waterman of Barre. He was married, January 14, 1896, to Jennie Cushman, daughter of H. and Mina Town Cushman of Morrisville. Noble Waterman is a member of Mt. Vernon Lodge; Tucker R. A. Chapter; Caledonia Council, R. & S. M.; Lamoille Commandery, K. T., and of Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., the latter since 1908. He likes all outdoor sports, being especially fond of fishing. He reads the best branches of general literature and the daily newspapers, and is a member of the Pastime Club of Morrisville.

CHANNING B. GREEN

Of Morrisville, Vt., has been a license commissioner from 1904 up to the present time. He is a Democrat. He is connected with the Morrisville Foundry Company, and since 1900 he has been president and superintendent of the company. He was born in St. Albans, Vt., October 10, 1865, and went to the public schools of that city. His parents were Cyrus E. and Elizabeth Watson Green, both natives of Vermont. He belongs to Franklin Lodge, in which he filled all the offices; Tucker R. A. Chapter, where he has been high priest; Tucker R. & S. M.; Lowell Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple. He was married, October 9, 1888, to Frances H. Thorne, daughter of Thomas and Ellen Morris Thorne of St. Albans. He has four children. They are: Robert Channing, born October 13, 1890; Ruth Frances, born May 23, 1893; Nora Edith, born October 28, 1898, and Porter Claude, born February 7, 1904. He belongs to the Episcopal Church. He is fond of baseball, boating and autoing. Historical, scientific works, and fiction are his favorite forms of reading.

THOMAS SMITH

A retired merchant of Woodstock, Vt., was engaged in the shoe business for twenty years previous to his retirement, conducting a store successfully for himself. He has also been interested in farming and shoe making. He was born in Malton, Yorkshire, England, August 30, 1833, the son of Joseph and Ann Haxby Smith, both natives of England, who no longer survive. He attended the public schools of Yorkshire and of Leeds before coming to this country. He has been three times married. His present wife was, before marriage, Anna A. Masales, daughter of James and Anna Jane Robinson Masales of Ontario, Canada, and the ceremony took place in Montreal. He belongs to Woodstock Lodge; Ottaquechee R. A. Chapter; Windsor Council, R. & S. M.; Vermont Commandery, K. T., and Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., which he entered in 1896. In his reading Noble Smith devotes his attention principally to works on travel. The only pastime in which he indulges is gardening. His home is at 45 Pleasant Street, Woodstock.

All the years we've spent together,
All the happy, golden hours,
Shall be cherished in remembrance,
Fragrant, sweet from mem'ry's flowers.

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	TEMPLE AND LOCATION	DATE OF CHARTER
1	Mecca, New York, N. Y.	Sept. 26, 1872
2	Damascus, Rochester, N. Y.	June 7, 1876
3	Mt. Sinai, Montpelier, Vt.	Oct. 31, 1876
4	Al Koran, Cleveland, Ohio	Nov. 16, 1876
5	Cyprus, Albany, N. Y.	Feb. 2, 1877
6	Oriental, Troy, N. Y.	Feb. 7, 1877
7	Syrian, Cincinnati, Ohio	Feb. 8, 1877
8	Pyramid, Bridgeport, Conn.	April 18, 1877
9	Syria, Pittsburg, Pa.	May 27, 1877
10	Ziyara, Utica, N. Y.	Oct. 30, 1877
11	Kaaba, Davenport, Iowa	July 1, 1878
12	Moslem, Detroit, Mich.	April 27, 1880
13	Aleppo, Boston, Mass.	June 23, 1882
14	Medinah, Chicago, Ill.	Oct. 30, 1882
15	Islam, San Francisco, Cal.	March 6, 1883
16	Lu Lu, Philadelphia, Pa.	Dec. 31, 1883
17	Murat, Indianapolis, Ind.	March 13, 1884
18	Boumi, Baltimore, Md.	April 1, 1884
19	Kosair, Louisville, Ky.	Dec. 5, 1884
20	Tripoli, Milwaukee, Wis.	March 8, 1885
21	Jerusalem, New Orleans, La.	March 30, 1885
22	Osman, St. Paul, Minn.	July 13, 1885
23	Zuhrah, Minneapolis, Minn.	July 22, 1885
24	Almas, Washington, D. C.	Jan. 17, 1886
25	Palestine, Providence, R. I.	Feb. 6, 1886
26	El Kahir, Cedar Rapids, Iowa	Feb. 9, 1886
27	Saladin, Grand Rapids, Mich.	April 22, 1886
28	Moolah, St. Louis, Mo.	April 26, 1886
29	Acca, Richmond, Va.	June 9, 1886
30	Osiris, Wheeling, W. Va.	July 22, 1886
31	Abdallah, Leavenworth, Kan.	March 28, 1887
32	Isis, Salina, Kan.	March 29, 1887
33	Rameses, Toronto, Can.	April 21, 1887
34	Hella, Dallas, Texas	May 31, 1887
35	Ballut Abyad, Albuquerque, N. Mex.	June 11, 1887
36	Sesostris, Lincoln, Neb.	June 22, 1887
37	Kismet, Brooklyn, N. Y.	July 2, 1887
38	Ismailia, Buffalo, N. Y.	Nov. 5, 1887
39	El Jebel, Denver, Col.	Dec. 11, 1887
40	Moila, St. Joseph, Mo.	Dec. 11, 1887
41	Ararat, Kansas City, Mo.	Dec. 11, 1887
42	Al Kader, Portland, Ore.	Jan. 3, 1888
43	Al Malaikah, Los Angeles, Cal.	Feb. 28, 1888
44	Algeria, Helena, Mont.	March 23, 1888
45	Morocco, Jacksonville, Fla.	March 28, 1888
46	El Riad, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.	May 25, 1888
47	Afifi, Tacoma, Wash.	Aug. 1, 1888
48	Sahara, Pine Bluff, Ark.	April 16, 1889
49	Tangier, Omaha, Neb.	April 24, 1889
50	Alhambra, Chattanooga, Tenn.	Sept. 17, 1889
51	Yaarab, Atlanta, Ga.	Dec. 8, 1889
52	El Zagal, Fargo, N. Dak.	Dec. 14, 1889
53	El Kalah, Salt Lake City, Utah	June 8, 1890
54	El Katif, Spokane, Wash.	June 10, 1890
55	Zem Zem, Erie, Pa.	Nov. 10, 1890
56	Zamora, Birmingham, Ala.	Nov. 10, 1890
57	Media, Watertown, N. Y.	March 19, 1891
58	Al Chymia, Memphis, Tenn.	May 10, 1891
59	Ben Hur, Austin, Tex.	June 2, 1891
60	Kora, Lewiston, Maine	Dec. 6, 1891
61	Hamasa, Meridian, Miss.	May 22, 1892
62	Rajah, Reading, Pa.	Aug. 20, 1892
63	Naja, Deadwood, S. Dak.	Sept. 19, 1892
64	India, Oklahoma City, Okla.	May 3, 1893
65	Mohammed, Peoria, Ill.	June 12, 1893
66	Aladdin, Columbus, Ohio	June 14, 1893
67	Ahmed, Marquette, Mich.	June 14, 1893
68	Tebala, Rockford, Ill.	May 10, 1894
69	Korein, Rawlins, Wyo.	Oct. 8, 1894
70	Oasis, Charlotte, N. C.	Oct. 10, 1894
71	Irem, Wilkesbarre, Pa.	Oct. 18, 1895
72	El Zaribah, Phœnix, Ariz.	Jan. 20, 1896
73	Sphinx, Hartford, Conn.	April 13, 1896
74	Alee, Savannah, Ga.	June 23, 1896
75	El Korah, Boise City, Idaho	June 23, 1896
76	Beni Kedem, Charleston, W. Va.	March 26, 1896
77	Melha, Springfield, Mass.	June 9, 1897
78	Antioch, Dayton, Ohio	June 9, 1898
79	Zenobia, Toledo, Ohio	June 14, 1898
80	Kalurah, Binghamton, N. Y.	June 14, 1898
81	Karnak, Montreal, Can.	Oct. 9, 1899
82	Za-Ga-Zig, Des Moines, Iowa	May 23, 1900
83	Aloha, Honolulu, H. I.	May 23, 1900
84	El Mina, Galveston, Texas	June 11, 1902
85	Gizeh, Victoria, B. C.	Aug. 1, 1902
86	Salaam, Newark, N. J.	May 4, 1903
87	Abba, Mobile, Ala.	June 18, 1903
88	Luxor, St. John, N. B.	June 26, 1903
89	Abou Ben Adhem, Springfield, Mo.	July 9, 1903
90	Jaffa, Altoona, Pa.	July 9, 1903
91	Cairo, Rutland, Vt.	July 9, 1903
92	Zembo, Harrisburg, Pa.	July 14, 1904

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	TEMPLE AND LOCATION	DATE OF CHARTER
93	Yelduz, Aberdeen, S. Dak	July 14, 1904
94	Crescent, Trenton, N. J.	July 14, 1904
95	Khartum, Winnipeg, Can	Nov. 19, 1904
96	Al Amin, Little Rock, Ark	Dec. 19, 1904
97	Bektash, Concord, N. H.	Jan. 25, 1905
98	Aad, Duluth, Minn	Sept. 5, 1905
99	El Hasa, Ashland, Ky	March 3, 1906
100	Elf Khurafeh, Saginaw, Mich	June 13, 1906
101	Kalif, Sheridan, Wyo	June 13, 1906
102	Anezeh, Mexico City	Dec. 1, 1906
103	Kerak, Reno, Nev	Dec. 10, 1906
104	Omar, Charleston, S. C.	Dec. 25, 1906
105	El Maida, El Paso, Texas	May 8, 1907
106	Abu Bekr, Sioux City, Iowa	May 8, 1907
107	Calam, Lewiston, Idaho	May 8, 1907
108	Al Azhar, Calgary, Man	Sept. 27, 1907
109	Mocha, London, Can	Jan. 1, 1908
110	Oleika, Lexington, Ky	Jan. 1, 1908
111	Nile, Seattle, Wash	July 15, 1908
112	Rizpah, Madisonville, Ky	July 15, 1908
113	Hillah, Ashland, Ore	July 15, 1908
114	Orak, Hammond, Ind	April 27, 1909
115	Hadi, Evanston, Ind	April 21, 1909
116	Mizpah, Fort Wayne, Ind	April 27, 1909
117	Kem, Grand Forks, N. Dak	June 9, 1909
118	Khedive, Norfolk, Va	June 9, 1909
119	Mirza, Pittsburg, Kan	June 9, 1909
120	Zorah, Terre Haute, Ind	June 9, 1909
121	Midian, Wichita, Kan	June 9, 1909

Dates and Places of Holding the Annual Sessions of the Imperial Council Since Organization

	DATE	PLACE OF MEETING
1	June 6, 1876	Masonic Hall, New York, N. Y.
2	Feb. 6, 1877	Masonic Hall, Albany, N. Y.
3	Feb. 6, 1878	Masonic Temple, New York, N. Y.
4	Feb. 5, 1879	Masonic Temple, Albany, N. Y.
5	Feb. 4, 1880	Masonic Temple, Albany, N. Y.
6	June 2, 1880	Temple Hall, New York, N. Y.
7	June 9, 1881	Temple Hall, New York, N. Y.
8	June 7, 1882	Masonic Temple, New York, N. Y.
9	June 6, 1883	Masonic Temple, New York, N. Y.
10	June 4, 1884	Masonic Temple, New York, N. Y.
11	June 4, 1885	Masonic Temple, New York, N. Y.
12	June 14, 1886	Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, Ohio
13	June 20, 1887	Murat Temple, Indianapolis, Ind.
14	June 25, 1888	Rameses Temple, Toronto, Can.
15	June 17, 1889	Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill.
16	June 23, 1890	Syria Temple, Pittsburg, Pa.
17	June 9, 1891	Masonic Hall, Niagara Falls, N. Y.
18	Aug. 15, 1892	Masonic Hall, Omaha, Neb.
19	June 13, 1893	Scottish Rite Cathedral, Cincinnati, Ohio
20	July 24, 1894	Masonic Temple, Denver, Col.
21	Sept. 2, 1895	Rockland House, Nantasket Beach, Mass.
22	June 23, 1896	Masonic Temple, Cleveland, Ohio
23	June 8, 1897	Masonic Temple, Detroit, Mich.
24	June 14, 1898	Opera House, Dallas, Texas
25	June 14, 1899	German-American Hall, Buffalo, N. Y.
26	May 22, 1900	Columbia Theater, Washington, D. C.
27	June 11, 1901	Standard Theater, Kansas City, Mo.
28	June 10, 1902	Golden Gate Hall, San Francisco, Cal.
29	July 8, 1903	Saratoga Springs, N. Y.
30	July 13, 1904	Marine Hall, Atlantic City, N. J.
31	June 20, 1905	International Theater, Niagara Falls, N. Y.
32	June 12, 1906	Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill.
33	May 7, 1907	Scottish Rite Hall, Los Angeles, Cal.
34	July 14, 1908	Auditorium, St. Paul, Minn.
35	June 8, 1909	Scottish Rite Cathedral, Louisville, Ky.
36	April 12, 1910	Scottish Rite Cathedral, New Orleans, La.

Directory of Temples

1 AAD TEMPLE — **Duluth, Minn.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st and 3d Fridays.
Founded, September 5, 1905.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 696
Arthur P. Cook, Potentate, Court House, Duluth, Minn.
Sheldon L. Frazer, Recorder,
312 First National Bank Bldg., Duluth, Minn.

Representatives:

Jesse Norton, 608 Palladio Bldg., Duluth, Minn.
Albert A. Farrington, Court House, Duluth, Minn.
Henry Nesbitt, 206 Sellwood Bldg., Duluth, Minn.
Arthur P. Cook, Court House, Duluth, Minn.

2 ABBA TEMPLE — **Mobile, Ala.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate, February and November.
Founded, June 18, 1903.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 216
Myron T. Sprague, Potentate, Mobile, Ala.
Chas. A. L. Johnstone, Recorder, Box 784, Mobile, Ala.

Representative:

Thomas J. Young, 62 Dauphin St., Mobile, Ala.

3 ABDALLAH TEMPLE — **Leavenworth, Kan.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st and 3d Fridays each month.
Founded, March 28, 1887.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,015
Harry A. Rose, Potentate,
6 Masonic Bldg., Leavenworth, Kan.
Edward W. Osgood, Recorder,
P. O. Box 125, Leavenworth, Kan.

Representatives:

Harry A. Rose, 6 Masonic Bldg., Leavenworth, Kan.
Edward Winnig,
5th and Delaware Sts., Leavenworth, Kan.
Jeremiah Grindrod, 344 Ann Ave., Kansas City, Kan.
Fred M. Nelson, 734 Kansas Ave., Topeka, Kan.
John H. Atwood (*ad vitam*)
800 N. Y. Life Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.

4 ABOU BEN ADHEM TEMPLE — **Springfield, Mo.**

Date of Regular Session, 4th Thursday, except in December.
Chartered July 9, 1903.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 568
Thomas G. Goldsmith, Potentate, Springfield, Mo.
E. N. DeGroff, Recorder, Springfield, Mo.

Representatives:

D. T. Kizer, Springfield, Mo.
Jno. J. Schnieder, Springfield, Mo.
R. E. Lee, Springfield, Mo.

5 ABU BEKR TEMPLE — **Sioux City, Iowa**

Date of Regular Session, on call.
Founded May 8, 1907.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 602
F. S. Lamar, Potentate, Sioux City, Iowa
S. W. Appleton, Recorder, Sioux City, Iowa

Representatives:

D. M. Brownlee, Sioux City, Iowa
F. S. Lamar, Sioux City, Iowa
A. R. Molyneux, Cherokee, Iowa
B. E. Nichols, Sioux City, Iowa

6 ACCA TEMPLE — **Richmond, Va.**

Date of Regular Session, 4th Thursday, except in June, July, August and September.
Founded, June 9, 1886.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,536
Thomas B. McAdams, Potentate,
P. O. Box 886, Richmond, Va.
C. A. Nesbitt, Recorder, Masonic Temple, Richmond, Va.

Representatives:

George L. Street, Box 515, Richmond, Va.
Preston Belvin, 18 S. 9th St., Richmond, Va.
E. E. Downham, Alexandria, Va.
Thomas B. McAdams, Box 886, Richmond, Va.

7 AFIFI TEMPLE — **Tacoma, Wash.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Tuesday each month.
Founded, August 1, 1888.
Membership, January 1, 1910. 868
Ellis L. Garretson, Potentate,
319 Fidelity Bldg., Tacoma, Wash.
Richard A. Ketner, Recorder,
Room 308, Berlin Bldg., Tacoma, Wash.

Representatives:

Ellis L. Garretson, 319 Fidelity Bldg., Tacoma, Wash.
Elijah J. Wyman, North Yakima, Wash.
William Fink, Equitable Bldg., Tacoma, Wash.
Joseph B. Hawthorne,
National Bank of Commerce Bldg., Tacoma, Wash.

8 AHMED TEMPLE — **Marquette, Mich.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Wednesday each month.
Founded, June 14, 1893.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 800
Charles D. Hanchette, Potentate, Hancock, Mich.
Edgar W. MacPherran, Recorder, Marquette, Mich.

Representatives:

Albert J. Young, Escanaba, Mich.
Frank Scadden, Crystal Falls, Mich.
James T. Fisher, Laurium, Mich.
Charles D. Hanchette, Hancock, Mich.

9 **AL AMIN TEMPLE** — **Little Rock, Ark.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, December 19, 1904.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 402
Henry S. Spivey, Potentate,
2400 Gaines St., Little Rock, Ark.
James S. Barkman, Recorder,
P. O. Box 346, Little Rock, Ark.

Representatives:

Asa R. Bragg, Little Rock, Ark.
James S. Barkman, P. O. Box 346, Little Rock, Ark.
Richard C. Bright, Southern Trust Bldg., Little Rock, Ark.

10 **ALADDIN TEMPLE** — **Columbus, Ohio**

Date of Regular Session, 3d Friday each month.
Founded, June 14, 1893.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,669
James D. Osborn, Potentate,
81 E. Town St., Columbus, Ohio
Wilden E. Joseph, Recorder,
Masonic Temple, Columbus, Ohio

Representatives:

James D. Osborn, 81 E. Town St., Columbus, Ohio
W. E. Joseph, Masonic Temple, Columbus, Ohio
Peter B. Darling, 178 W. 4th Ave., Columbus, Ohio
Karl T. Webber, County Court House, Columbus, Ohio

11 **AL CHYMIA TEMPLE** — **Memphis, Tenn.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, May 10, 1891.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 533
Gus B. Lockwood, Potentate, Memphis, Tenn.
J. E. Van Trees, Recorder,
Masonic Temple, Memphis, Tenn.

Representatives:

Charles A. Price, Am. Car & Foundry Co., Memphis, Tenn.
Albert E. Cameron, Odd Fellows Bldg., Memphis, Tenn.
Guy S. Turner, Con. Gas & Elec. Co., Memphis, Tenn.

12 **ALEE TEMPLE** — **Savannah, Ga.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, June 23, 1896.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 943
Ernest A. Cutts, Potentate, Savannah, Ga.
B. Palmer Axson, Recorder, Box 237, Savannah, Ga.

Representatives:

Ernest A. Cutts, Savannah, Ga.
Rev. Chas. H. Strong, Savannah, Ga.
Rev. Richard Wilkinson, Augusta, Ga.
J. Edgar Chancellor, Columbus, Ga.

13 **ALEPPO TEMPLE** — **Boston, Mass.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, June 23, 1882.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 6,111
Charles A. Estey, Potentate, East Boston, Mass.
Benjamin W. Rowell, Recorder,
Masonic Temple, Boston, Mass.

Representatives:

Charles A. Estey, East Boston, Mass.
James S. Blake, 376 Washington St., Boston, Mass.
Charles C. Henry, Wellesley Hills, Mass.
George A. Shackford, 828 Adams St., Dorchester, Mass.
Benjamin W. Rowell *(emeritus)*
Masonic Temple, Boston, Mass.

14 **ALGERIA TEMPLE** — **Helena, Mont.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Thursday each month.
Founded, March 23, 1888.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,031
Owen L. Dillenbeck, Potentate, Butte, Mont.
George Booker, Recorder, Helena, Mont.

Representatives:

J. Benton Leggat, Butte, Mont.
Owen L. Dillenbeck, Butte, Mont.
John D. Waite, Lewistown, Mont.
Benjamin E. Calkins, Butte, Mont.

15 **ALHAMBRA TEMPLE** — **Chattanooga, Tenn.**

Date of Regular Session, 3d Friday each month.
Founded, September 17, 1889.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 817
C. L. Morrison, Potentate, Chattanooga, Tenn.
D. G. Crabtree, Recorder,
P. O. Box 41, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Representatives:

W. T. Hope, Chattanooga, Tenn.
C. L. Morrison, Chattanooga, Tenn.
A. C. Foust, Chattanooga, Tenn.
A. N. Sloan, Chattanooga, Tenn.

16 **AL KADER TEMPLE** — **Portland, Ore.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, January 3, 1888.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,363
W. H. Galvani, Potentate, 88 3d St., Portland, Ore.
Benjamin G. Whitehouse, Recorder,
294 Yamhill St., Portland, Ore.

Representatives:

Wm. C. Bristol, Fenton Bldg., Portland, Ore.
Harvey W. Scott,
care of "The Oregonian," Portland, Ore.
J. E. Werlin, City Treasurer, Portland, Ore.
John Annand, 126 3d St., Portland, Ore.

17 **AL KORAN TEMPLE** — **Cleveland, Ohio**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, November 16, 1876.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,876
George March, Potentate, Chagrin Falls, Ohio
N. S. Harris, Recorder, Masonic Temple, Cleveland, Ohio

Representatives:

George March, Chagrin Falls, Ohio
Samuel A. Lytle, 429 Garfield Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio
Charles H. Eichhorn, 440 Broadway, Cleveland, Ohio
Carroll F. Clapp, Warren, Ohio

18 **AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE** — **Los Angeles, Cal.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Saturday each month.
Founded, February 28, 1888.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 2,414
Motley H. Flint, Potentate, Post Office, Los Angeles, Cal.
David E. Barclay, Recorder,
655 W. Jefferson St., Los Angeles, Cal.

Representatives:

Fred A. Hines, 140 W. 5th St., Los Angeles, Cal.
Motley H. Flint, Post Office, Los Angeles, Cal.
Leo V. Youngworth, Tajo Bldg., Los Angeles, Cal.
L. J. C. Spruance, Fay Bldg., Los Angeles, Cal.

19 **ALMAS TEMPLE** — **Washington, D. C.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, January 17, 1886.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,468
Alexander Grant, Potentate,
P. O. Dept., Washington, D. C.
Harrison Dingman, Recorder,
The Ontario, Washington, D. C.

Representatives:

Alexander Grant, P. O. Dept., Washington, D. C.
Louis A. Dent, Fendall Law Bldg., Washington, D. C.
Louis Goldsmith, 422 7th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.
James L. Gibbs, 1707 S. St., N. W., Washington, D. C.
Harrison Dingman *(ad vitam)*
The Ontario, Washington, D. C.

20 **ALOHA TEMPLE** — **Honolulu, H. I.**

Date of Regular Session, quarterly.
Founded, May 23, 1900.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 218
Robert W. Breckons, Potentate, Honolulu, H. I.
Charles F. Murray, Recorder, Honolulu, H. I.

Representative:

James S. McCandless, Honolulu, H. I.

21 **AL AZHAR TEMPLE** — **Calgary, Alberta**

Date of Regular Session, on call.
Founded, 1907.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 163
R. A. Darker, Potentate, Calgary, Alberta
T. F. English, Recorder, Box 1681, Calgary, Alberta

Representative:

R. A. Darker, Calgary, Alberta

22 **ANEZEH TEMPLE** — **City of Mexico, Mexico**

Date of Regular Session, on call, March, June, September and December.
Founded, November 12, 1906.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 132
James E. Long, Potentate,
Calle Ortega 28, Ciudad de Mexico
Wayne A. White, Recorder,
Apartado 1647, Ciudad de Mexico

Representative:

William L. Vail,
1 A. Neuvo Mexico, No. 15 Ciudad de Mexico, D. F.

23 **ANTIOCH TEMPLE** — **Dayton, Ohio**

Date of Regular Session, 1st and 3d Fridays each month.
Founded, June 9, 1898.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 779
S. Rufus Jones, Potentate, Dayton, Ohio
Emil M. Metzger, Recorder,
15 Sycamore St., Dayton, Ohio

Representatives:

John Cissna, National Military Home, Ohio
S. Rufus Jones, 26 N. Main St., Dayton, Ohio
E. M. Metzger, 15 Sycamore St., Dayton, Ohio
H. E. Allen, 16 N. Ludlow St., Dayton, Ohio

24 **ARARAT TEMPLE** — **Kansas City, Mo.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Wednesday each month.
Founded, December 1, 1887.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,843
William S. Clagett, Potentate,
1316 W. 8th St., Kansas City, Mo.
Harry G. Henley, Recorder,
Finance Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.

Representatives:

Howard F. Lea, Dwight Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.
William S. Clagett, 1316 W. 8th St., Kansas City, Mo.
John Q. Watkins, 3206 Highland, Kansas City, Mo.
Jesse E. Thompson,
17 East Missouri St., Kansas City, Mo.
Ethelbert F. Allen *(ad vitam)* Kansas City, Mo.

25 **BALLUT ABYAD TEMPLE** — **Albuquerque, N. Mex.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Monday each month.
Founded, June 11, 1887.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 546
Edward C. Allen, Potentate, Albuquerque, N. Mex.
Harry Bullard, Recorder, Albuquerque, N. Mex.

Representatives:

Harry Bullard, Albuquerque, N. Mex.
William W. Strong, Albuquerque, N. Mex.
John J. Kelly, Silver City, N. Mex.

26 **BEKTASH TEMPLE** — **Concord, N. H.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, January 25, 1905.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 861
Elmer D. Goodwin, Potentate, Manchester, N. H.
Harry M. Cheney, Recorder, Concord, N. H.

Representatives:

Elmer D. Goodwin, Manchester, N. H.
Frank C. Sanborn, Concord, N. H.
Walter F. Norton, Nashua, N. H.
George H. Calley, Bristol, N. H.

27 **BEN HUR TEMPLE** — **Austin, Tex.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, June 2, 1891.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 663
Jesse W. Maxwell, Potentate, Austin, Tex.
W. G. Franklin, Recorder, P. O. Box 539, Austin, Tex.

Representatives:

James R. Hamilton, Austin, Tex.
A. Wiedenfeld, San Antonio, Tex.
A. E. Carter, Lockhart, Tex.
George M. Watkins, Llano, Tex.

28 **BENI KEDEM TEMPLE** — **Charleston, W. Va.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Thursday each month.
Founded, June 26, 1896.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,108
George S. Laidley, Potentate, Charleston, W. Va.
Joseph Ruffner, Recorder, Charleston, W. Va.

Representatives:

George S. Laidley, Charleston, W. Va.
John M. Collins, Charleston, W. Va.
L. H. Clark, Kyle, W. Va.
Alexander W. Hamilton, Fayetteville, W. Va.

29 **BOUMI TEMPLE** — **Baltimore, Md.**

Date of Regular Session, 29th of each month except Sundays.
Founded, April 1, 1884.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,117
Frank W. Dryden, Potentate,
Lancaster and Dallas Sts., Baltimore, Md.
John H. Miller, Recorder, Hazazers Hall, Baltimore, Md.

Representatives:

William J. Cunningham,
Knickerbocker Bldg., Baltimore, Md.
Frank W. Dryden,
Lancaster and Dallas Sts., Baltimore, Md.
Walter I. Dawkins, 408 Fidelity Bldg., Baltimore, Md.
Stephen R. Mason, Forrest Park P. O., Baltimore, Md.

30 **CALAM TEMPLE** — **Lewiston, Idaho**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, May 8, 1907.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 107
J. H. Gaut, Potentate, Lewiston, Idaho
John E. Nickersen, Recorder, Lewiston, Idaho

Representative:

J. H. Gaut, Potentate, Lewiston, Idaho

31 **CAIRO TEMPLE** — **Rutland, Vt.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Chartered, July 9, 1903.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 677
Daniel C. Noble, Potentate, Middlebury, Vt.
Philip H. Seaver, Recorder, Rutland, Vt.

Representatives:

Thomas P. Bragg, Rutland, Vt.
Frank W. Agan, Ludlow, Vt.
E. D. Blackwell, Brandon, Vt.
L. E. Avery, Ferrisburg, Vt.

32 **CRESCENT TEMPLE** — **Trenton, N. J.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, July 14, 1904.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 698
Edwin H. Ginnelley, Potentate,
23 E. State St., Trenton, N. J.
Linford D. Closson, Recorder,
433 W. Hanover St., Trenton, N. J.

Representatives:

Edwin H. Ginnelley, 23 E. State St., Trenton, N. J.
George A. Katzenbach, 27 W. State St., Trenton, N. J.
Linford D. Closson, 433 W. Hanover St., Trenton, N. J.
Newton A. K. Bugbee, 207 Academy St., Trenton, N. J.

33 **CYPRUS TEMPLE** — **Albany, N. Y.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, February 2, 1877.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,041
Charles B. Bogart, Potentate,
22 N. Main St., Gloversville, N. Y.
George R. Hodgkins, Recorder,
Masonic Temple, Albany. N. Y.

Representatives:

Charles B. Bogart, 22 N. Main St., Gloversville, N. Y.
John M. Foll, 145 S. Pearl St., Albany, N. Y.
John R. Houghtaling, 496 Broadway, Albany, N. Y.
Weston H. Rider, 304 Wall St., Kingston, N. Y.

34 **DAMASCUS TEMPLE** — **Rochester, N. Y.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st and 3d Wednesdays each month.
Founded, June 7, 1876.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,480
Conrad Eckhardt, Potentate,
420 South Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
John Calder, Recorder,
155 University Ave., Rochester, N. Y.

Representatives:

Frederick R. Smith, 89 Plymouth Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
Conrad Eckhardt, 420 South Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
E. A. Fletcher, 271 Chili Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
J. M. Keller, 1023 South Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
Geo. F. Loder *(emeritus)*
Reynolds Arcade, Rochester, N. Y.

35 **EL HASA TEMPLE** — **Ashland, Ky.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Monday each month.
Founded, March 3, 1906.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 240
Edgar B. Hager, Potentate, Ashland, Ky.
W. F. Shipman, Recorder, Ashland, Ky.

Representative:

Louis R. Putnam, Ashland, Ky.

36 **EL JEBEL TEMPLE** — **Denver, Col.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Monday except June, July and August.
Founded, December 1, 1887.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,797
Robert M. Simons, Potentate,
311 Nassau Block, Denver, Col.
Stanley C. Warner, Recorder,
704 Equitable Bldg., Denver, Col.

Representatives:

Aury B. Noxon, 424 E. St. Vrain St., Colorado Springs
Robert M. Simons, 311 Nassau Block, Denver, Col.
David Plessner, 416 E. & C. Bldg., Denver, Col.
Charles P. Pfeiffer, 317 14th St., Denver, Col.
Albert B. McGaffey *(ad vitam)* Denver, Col.

37 **ELF KHURAFEH TEMPLE** — **Saginaw, Mich.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Wednesday each month.
Founded, June 12, 1906.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 648
George H. Keating, Potentate, Bay City, Mich.
Frank A. Ferguson, Recorder,
102 S. Washington Ave., Saginaw, Mich.

Representatives:

George E. Dutton, Saginaw, Mich.
John P. Sheridan, Saginaw, Mich.
Harry E. Oppenheimer, Saginaw, Mich.
George H. Keating, Bay City, Mich.

38 **EL KAHIR TEMPLE** — **Cedar Rapids, Iowa**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Wednesday in February, April, June, August and October.
Founded, February 9, 1886.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,601
E. Olin Soule, Potentate, Iowa Falls, Iowa
T. Will Runkle, Recorder,
116 N. 10th St., Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Representatives:

E. O. Soule, Iowa Falls, Iowa
R. J. Young, Oelwein, Iowa
Martin Evans, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Glen A. Kenderdine, Iowa City, Iowa
Edwin I. Alderman *(ad vitam)* Marion, Iowa

39 **EL KALAH TEMPLE** — **Salt Lake City, Utah**

Date of Regular Session, 3d Wednesday each month.
Founded, June 8, 1890.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 508
Charles W. Morse, Potentate,
920 E. So. Temple St., Salt Lake City, Utah
Joseph M. Marriott, Recorder,
22 W. 1st South St., Salt Lake City, Utah

Representatives:

F. C. Schramm, Salt Lake City, Utah
W. M. Rash, Salt Lake City, Utah
W. J. Lynch, Salt Lake City, Utah

40 **EL KATIF TEMPLE** — **Spokane, Wash.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Wednesday each month.
Founded, June 10, 1890.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 795
William J. Hindley, Potentate, Spokane, Wash.
S. Harry Rush, Recorder,
Masonic Temple, Spokane, Wash.

Representatives:

Millard T. Hartson, Tacoma, Wash.
William S. McCrea, Spokane, Wash.
Charles H. Voss, Spokane, Wash.
Fred L. Simmons, Spokane, Wash.

41 **EL KORAH TEMPLE** — **Boise City, Idaho**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Wednesday each month.
Founded, June 23, 1896.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 326
Geo. C. Huebener, Potentate, Boise City, Idaho
Charles O. Nelson, Recorder, Boise City, Idaho

Representatives:

Charles G. Ceaser, Boise City, Idaho
Charles W. Wayland, Boise City, Idaho

42 **EL MAIDA TEMPLE** — **El Paso, Tex.**

Date of Regular Session, 4th Friday each month.
Founded, May 8, 1907.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 332
Robert D. Richey, Potentate,
614 Myrtle Ave., El Paso, Texas
W. H. McCullough, Recorder,
Masonic Temple, El Paso, Texas

Representatives:

John M. Wyatt, Am. Natl. Bank, El Paso, Texas
Thomas C. Lea, Jr., Trust Bldg., El Paso, Texas

43 EL MINA TEMPLE — Galveston, Tex.

Date of Regular Session, last Tuesday each month.
Founded, June 11, 1902.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 930
Frank C. Jones, Potentate, Houston, Texas
C. E. Keppler, Recorder, Galveston, Texas

Representatives:

J. Seinsheimer, Galveston, Texas
Frank C. Jones, Houston, Texas
D. H. Lawrence, Galveston, Texas
C. E. Walden, Beaumont, Texas

44 EL RIAD TEMPLE — Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

Date of Regular Session, 3d Wednesday each month.
Founded, May 25, 1888.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,10-
George A. Pettigrew, Potentate, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
Edgar S. Knowles, Recorder, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

Representatives:

George A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
Frederick Treon, Chamberlain, S. Dak.
Charles D. Symms, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
Edgar S. Knowles, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

45 EL ZAGAL TEMPLE — Fargo, N. Dak.

Date of Regular Session, every Thursday and June 7.
Founded, Dec. 14, 1889.
Membership, Jan. 1, 1910, 1,058
Myron A. Baldwin, Potentate, Fargo, N. Dak.
Frank J. Thompson, Recorder, Fargo, N. Dak.

Representatives:

John F. Treat, Fargo, N. Dak.
John W. Carroll, Fargo, N. Dak.
Myron A. Baldwin, Fargo, N. Dak.
Robert S. Lewis, Fargo, N. Dak.

46 EL ZARIBAH TEMPLE — Phœnix, Ariz.

Date of Regular Session, 1st Wednesday in December, January, February, March and April.
Founded, January 20, 1896.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 386
Thomas Armstrong, Jr., Potentate, Phœnix, Ariz.
John J. Sweeney, Recorder, Phœnix, Ariz.

Representatives:

John J. Sweeney, Phœnix, Ariz.
George W. Vickers, Phœnix, Ariz.

47 GIZEH TEMPLE — Victoria, B. C.

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, June 11, 1902.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 266
Robert F. Green, Potentate, Victoria, B. C.
Edward E. Leason, Recorder, P. O. Box 698, Victoria, B. C.

Representative:

A. F. Forbes, 2644 Work St., Victoria, B. C.

48 HADI TEMPLE, U. D. — Evansville, Ind.

Date of Regular Session, last Friday each month.
Founded, April 12, 1909.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 147
John R. Sterne, Potentate, 400 E. Columbia St., Evansville, Ind.
Clifford Shopbell, Recorder, 707 Furniture Bldg., Evansville, Ind.
Not entitled to Representatives.

49 HAMASA TEMPLE — Meridian, Miss.

Date of Regular Session, 4th Thursday each month.
Founded, May 22, 1892.
Membership, Jan. 1, 1910, 1,467
Frank A. Hulett, Potentate, Meridian, Miss.
A. J. Peck, Recorder, Meridian, Miss.

Representatives:

Alexander D. McRaven, Meridian, Miss.
James F. Hill, Gloster, Miss.
B. V. White, Meridian, Miss.
Cecil Champenois, Meridian, Miss.

50 HELLA TEMPLE — Dallas, Texas

Date of Regular Session, 3d Thursday each month.
Founded, May 31, 1887.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,500
John W. Howerth, Potentate, 391 S. Ervay St., Dallas, Texas
John G. Hunter, Recorder, P. O. Box 933, Dallas, Texas

Representatives:

John G. Hunter, P. O. Box 933, Dallas, Texas
James Garrity, Corsicana, Texas
Herbert Morris, Belt & Terminal R. R., Houston, Texas
C. W. Hobson, Hobson Elec. Co., Dallas, Texas
George H. Green *(ad vitam)* Dallas, Texas

51 HILLAH TEMPLE — Ashland, Ore.

Date of Regular Session, 1st Friday each month.
Dispensation granted July 15, 1908.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 116
Ernest V. Carter, Potentate, 514 Boulevard, Ashland, Ore.
Eugene A. Sherwin, Recorder, 173 Oak St., Ashland, Ore.

Representative:

Eugene A. Sherwin, 173 Oak St., Ashland, Ore.

52 INDIA TEMPLE — Oklahoma City, Okla.

Date of Regular Session, 3d Thursday each month.
Founded, May 3, 1893.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,681
Almer E. Moresoney, Potentate, Oklahoma City, Okla.
Geo. W. Spencer, Recorder, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Representatives:

John F. Threadgill, Oklahoma City, Okla.
George W. Clark, Oklahoma City, Okla.
Albert R. Boggs, Lawton, Okla.
W. P. Freeman, McAlister, Ind. Ter.

53 IREM TEMPLE — Wilkesbarre, Pa.

Date of Regular Session, 3d Wednesday each month.
Founded, October 18, 1895.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 2,570
Frank Deitrick, Potentate, 28 S. Main St., Wilkesbarre, Pa.
Charles H. Gillam, Recorder, 52 N. Franklin St., Wilkesbarre, Pa.

Representatives:

Frank Deitrick, 28 S. Main St., Wilkesbarre, Pa.
William L. Raeder, Peoples Bank Bldg., Wilkesbarre, Pa.
Herbert R. Laird, Hays Bldg., Williamsport, Pa.
Judson B. Woolsey, Box 223, Scranton, Pa.

54 ISIS TEMPLE — Salina, Kan.

Date of Regular Session, 3d Tuesday each month.
Founded, March 29, 1887.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,335
Ezra W. Ober, Potentate, Salina, Kan.
F. D. Blundon, Recorder, Salina, Kan.

Representatives:

Ezra W. Ober, Salina, Kan.
Butler R. Brassfield, Salina, Kan.
Charles M. Harger, Abeline, Kan.
John McMahon, Ellis, Kan.

55 **ISLAM TEMPLE** — **San Francisco, Cal.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Thursday each month.
Founded, March 6, 1883.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 3,552
Robert B. Moore, Potentate,
Folsom St., near 4th St., San Francisco, Cal.
John Bennett, Recorder,
Ross, Marin Company, San Francisco, Cal.

Representatives:

William Crocker, 955 Oak St., San Francisco, Cal.
Robert B. Moore,
Folsom St., near 4th St., San Francisco, Cal.
George Filmar, 330 Jackson St., San Francisco, Cal.
Ben O. Johnson, 1741 Myrtle St., Oakland, Cal.
Charles L. Field *(ad vitam)*
312 Clay St., San Francisco, Cal.

56 **ISMAILIA TEMPLE** — **Buffalo, N. Y.**

Date of Regular Session, 29th day of each month.
Founded, November 5, 1887.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 2,207
William L. Alexander, Potentate, Randolph, N. Y.
Charles E. Markham, Recorder,
Anchor Line Dock, Buffalo, N. Y.

Representatives:

William L. Alexander, Randolph, N. Y.
Martin H. Blecher, 895 Michigan St., Buffalo, N. Y.
Clark H. Hammond, 168 St. James Place, Buffalo, N. Y.
Charles W. Mann, 164 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, N.Y.
George L. Brown *(ad vitam)*
210 D. S. Morgan Bldg., Buffalo, N. Y.

57 **JAFFA TEMPLE** — **Altoona, Pa.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Chartered, July 9, 1903.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 952
J. Henry Lape, Potentate, 1108 14th Ave., Altoona, Pa.
Wilson A. Turner, Recorder, P. O. Box 176, Altoona, Pa.

Representatives:

William H. Howell, 831 6th Ave., Altoona, Pa.
A. Lincoln Feltwell, Altoona, Pa.
Howard S. Holtzworth, Fleming Centre Co., ———, Pa.
Henry J. Van Dusen, Hastings, Pa.

58 **JERUSALEM TEMPLE** — **New Orleans, La.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Saturday in January, February, March, April, October, November and December.
Founded, March 30, 1885.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,034
Gus D. Levy, Potentate,
Hennen Bldg., New Orleans, La.
Richard Lambert, Recorder,
Masonic Temple, New Orleans, La.

Representatives:

Richard Lambert, Masonic Temple, New Orleans, La.
Gus D. Levy, 219 Hennen Bldg., New Orleans, La.
Charles F. Buck, Masonic Temple, New Orleans, La.
George W. Booth, P. O. Box 1052 New Orleans, La.

59 **KAABA TEMPLE** — **Davenport, Iowa**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Tuesday each month.
Founded, July 1, 1878.
Membership, Jan. 1, 1910, 1,708
Isaac L. Sears, Potentate, Davenport, Iowa
Ira R. Tabor, Recorder, Davenport, Iowa

Representatives:

Isaac L. Sears, Davenport, Iowa
Sam T. White, Davenport, Iowa
William G. Mercer, Burlington, Iowa
Harry E. Krell, Rock Island, Ill.

60 **KALIF TEMPLE** — **Sheridan, Wyo.**

Date of Regular Session, 3d Friday.
Founded, June 13, 1906.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 104
John J. Adams, Potentate, Sheridan, Wyo.
Thomas J. C. Mitchell, Recorder, Sheridan, Wyo.

Representative:

Jacob F. Hoop, Sheridan, Wyo.

61 **KALURAH TEMPLE** — **Binghamton, N. Y.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, June 15, 1899.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,034
James T. Rogers, Potentate,
445 O'Neil Bldg., Binghamton, N. Y.
David M. Johnson, Recorder,
4 Masonic Temple, Binghamton, N. Y.

Representatives:

James T. Rogers, 445 O'Neil Bldg., Binghamton, N. Y.
George McCann, Court House, Elmira, N. Y.
Frank S. Powell, Norwich, N. Y.
David M. Johnson, Masonic Temple, Binghamton, N. Y.

62 **KARNAK TEMPLE** — **Montreal, Can.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, November 8, 1899.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 503
Allan Austin, Potentate, 317 St. Paul St., Montreal, Can.
Alexander B. J. Moore, Recorder,
Box 2283, Montreal, Can.

Representatives:

Allan Austin, 317 St. Paul St., Montreal, Can.
H. Ed. Channell, Stanstead, P. Q., Can.
Charles M. Gardiner, 23 Dalhousie St., Montreal, Can.

63 **KEM TEMPLE, U. D.** — **Grand Forks, N. Dak.**

Date of Regular Session,
Founded, June 9, 1909.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 409
Clarence A. Hale, Potentate, Grand Forks, N. Dak.
C. N. Barnes, Recorder,
118 S. 3d St., Grand Forks, N. Dak.
Not entitled to Representatives.

64 **KHEDIVE TEMPLE, U. D.** — **Norfolk, Va.**

Date of Regular Session,
Founded, June 9, 1909.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 316
George H. Lewis, Potentate, Norfolk, Va.
W. W. Galt, Recorder, Norfolk, Va.
Not entitled to Representatives.

65 **KERAK TEMPLE** — **Reno, Nev.**

Date of Regular Session, 4th Saturday.
Founded, December 10, 1906.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 260
A. Spencer, Potentate, Reno, Nev.
Frank D. King, Recorder, Reno, Nev.

Representative:

Matthew Kyle, Reno, Nev.

66 **KHARTUM TEMPLE** — **Winnipeg, Man.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, November 19, 1904.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 361
Arthur W. Chapman, Potentate,
P. O. Box 2988, Winnipeg, Man.
William A. McKay, Recorder,
P. O. Box 1025, Winnipeg, Man.

Representatives:

William G. Bell, 224 McDermot Ave., Winnipeg, Man.
A. W. Chapman, P. O. Box 2988, Winnipeg, Man.

67 **KISMET TEMPLE** — **Brooklyn, N. Y.**

Date of Regular Session, monthly on call of Potentate.
Founded, July 2, 1888.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 2,232
William Bamber, Potentate,
87 Warren St., New York, N. Y.
John W. Richardson, Recorder,
105 Herkimer St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Representatives:

William Bamber, 87 Warren St., New York, N. Y.
Conrad V. Dykeman,
657 Jefferson Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.
Wm. O. Campbell, 1 Liberty St., New York, N. Y.
J. Harris Balston, 250 Greene St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

68 **KORA TEMPLE** — **Lewiston, Me.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, December 14, 1891.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 2,238
C. Fred Maines, Potentate, Lewiston, Me.
A. L. Stockbridge, Recorder, Lewiston, Me.

Representatives:

C. Fred Maines, Lewiston, Me.
J. Putnam Stevens, Portland, Me.
Harry B. Austin, Phillips, Me.
Everett S. Hall, Augusta, Me.

69 **KOREIN TEMPLE** — **Rawlins, Wyo.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Friday each month.
Founded, October 8, 1894.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 450
Robert I. Turner, Potentate, Rawlins, Wyo.
Charles Miller, Recorder, Rawlins, Wyo.

Representatives:

William Daley, Rawlins, Wyo.
Peter S. Cook, Cheyenne, Wyo.
Frank A. Hadsell, Rawlins, Wyo.

70 **KOSAIR TEMPLE** — **Louisville, Ky.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Friday each month.
Founded, December 5, 1884.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,502
John G. Morey, Potentate, Post Office, Louisville, Ky.
William J. Watkins, Recorder,
Lincoln Bank Bldg., Louisville, Ky.

Representatives:

John G. Morey, Post Office, Louisville, Ky.
George D. Young, 1143 Garvin Place, Louisville, Ky.
Frederick W. Hardwick,
1301 West Main St., Louisville, Ky.
Edward Meglemery, 215 S. 5th St., Louisville, Ky.

71 **LU LU TEMPLE** — **Philadelphia, Pa.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Wednesday each month.
Founded, December 31, 1883.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 4,209
W. Freeland Kendrick, Potentate,
41 N. 50th St., Philadelphia, Pa.
William Ross, Recorder,
3218 W. Norris St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Representatives:

W. Freeland Kendrick, 41 N. 50th St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Herman Rehborn, 927 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Francis J. Callahan, 838 N. 63d St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Edwin S. Mershon,
2321 E. Cumberland St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Philip C. Shaffer *(ad vitam)* 15th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

72 **LUXOR TEMPLE** — **St. John, N. B.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, June 26, 1903.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 565
J. R. McIntosh, Potentate, 40 Coburg St., St. John, N. B.
Charles D. Jones, Recorder,
94 Germain St., St. John, N. B.

Representatives:

J. R. McIntosh, 40 Coburg St., St. John, N. B.
John L. Thomson, Charlottetown, P. E. I.
Daniel A. Morrison, Amherst, N. S.

73 **MECCA TEMPLE** — **New York, N. Y.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, September 26, 1872.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 6,882
William J. Matthews, Potentate,
842 8th Ave., New York, N. Y.
Saram R. Ellison, Recorder,
118 W. 103d St., New York, N. Y.

Representatives:

William J. Matthews, 842 8th Ave., New York, N. Y.
John Lloyd Thomas, 161 W. 36th St., New York, N. Y.
Edward A. Kraussman, 249 W. 132d St., New York, N. Y.
Saram R. Ellison, 118 W. 103d St., New York, N. Y.
Walter M. Fleming *(ad vitam)*
141 Rich Ave., Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
James McGee *(emeritus)* 64 Duane St., New York, N. Y.
George W. Millar *(emeritus)*
64 Duane St., New York, N. Y.

74 **MEDIA TEMPLE** — **Watertown, N. Y.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Monday each month.
Founded, March 19, 1891.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,047
Frank S. Kenyon, Potentate, Adams, N. Y.
George W. Hulse, Recorder, Watertown, N. Y.

Representatives:

Frank S. Kenyon, Adams, N. Y.
Kirk N. Sweet, Phœnix, N. Y.
John A. Howe, Canton, N. Y.
James M. Dorsey, Watertown, N. Y.

75 **MEDINAH TEMPLE** — **Chicago, Ill.**

Date of Regular Session, 4th Friday each month.
Founded, October 30, 1882.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 8,183
John C. Hallenbeck, Potentate,
6508 Stewart Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Samuel H. Smith, Recorder,
Room 824, 218 La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.

Representatives:

John C. Hallenbeck, 6508 Stewart Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Robert J. Daly, 3214 W. Polk St., Chicago, Ill.
Harry D. Piatt, 7124 Palmer Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Nelson N. Lampert, 134 Monroe St., Chicago, Ill.
Frank C. Roundy *(ad vitam)* 190 S. Clark St., Chicago, Ill.

76 **MELHA TEMPLE** — **Springfield, Mass.**

Date of Regular Session, last Thursday each month, except November and December, called.
Founded, June 9, 1897.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 907
Fred R. Brown, Potentate, Springfield, Mass.
Edwin O. Hibbard, Recorder,
P. O. Box 1501, Springfield, Mass.

Representatives:

Fred R. Brown, Springfield, Mass.
Charles L. Young, P. O. Box 1571, Springfield, Mass.
Charles A. Frazer, Municipal Bldg., Springfield, Mass.
Thomas T. Davee, P. O. Box 314, Springfield, Mass.

77 **MIDIAN TEMPLE, U. D.** — **Wichita, Kan.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Wednesday.
Founded, June 9, 1909.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 490
George H. Bradford, Potentate, Wichita, Kan.
J. F. McCoy, Recorder, Wichita, Kan.
Not entitled to Representatives.

78 **MIRZA TEMPLE, U. D.** — **Pittsburg, Kan.**

Date of Regular Session, each Wednesday.
Founded, June 9, 1909.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 385
A. K. Lanyon, Potentate, Pittsburg, Kan.
W. H. Yarcho, Recorder, Pittsburg, Kan.
Not entitled to Representatives.

79 **MIZPAH TEMPLE, U. D.** — **Fort Wayne, Ind.**

Date of Regular Session, last Monday each month.
Founded, April 27, 1909.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 333
E. H. Merritt, Potentate, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Charles E. Read, Recorder, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Not entitled to Representatives.

80 **MOCHA TEMPLE** — **London, Ontario, Can.**

Date of Regular Session, on call.
Dispensation granted January 1, 1908.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 458
J. Milton Pike, Potentate, Chatham, Ont.
Wm. H. Abbott, Recorder, 322 Dundas St., London, Ont.

Representatives:

J. Milton Pike, Chatham, Ont.
A. L. Davis, 16 Alma St., London, Ont.
A. E. Somerville, 645 Queen's Ave., London, Ont.

81 **MOHAMMED TEMPLE** — **Peoria, Ill.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Tuesday each month.
Founded, June 12, 1893.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 2,005
Emil G. Iset, Potentate, 104 Chestnut St., Peoria, Ill.
Charles F. Hitchcock, Recorder, 111 N. Jefferson Ave., Peoria, Ill.

Representatives:

Seth F. Haskins, Union Ticket Office, Peoria, Ill.
Emil G. Iset, 104 Chestnut St., Peoria, Ill.
B. F. Cartwright, City Hall, Peoria, Ill.
Henry C. Koehler, Clinton, Ill.

82 **MOILA TEMPLE** — **St. Joseph, Mo.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d and 4th Wednesday each month.
Founded, December 1, 1887.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 745
William M. Campbell, Potentate, Ballinger Bldg., St. Joseph, Mo.
John Broder, Recorder, 1014 S. 11th St., St. Joseph, Mo.

Representatives:

Hathon G. Getchell, 606 N. 5th St., St. Joseph, Mo.
William M. Campbell, Ballinger Bldg., St. Joseph, Mo.
Samuel F. Kessler, 614 Francis St., St. Joseph, Mo.
John W. Holtman, 416 Lee St., St. Joseph, Mo.
Alvah P. Clayton *(ad vitam)* St. Joseph, Mo.

83 **MOOLAH TEMPLE** — **St. Louis, Mo.**

Date of Regular Session, 3d Wednesday each month.
Founded, April 26, 1886.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,669
Clarence A. Sinclair, Potentate, 1108 St. Charles St., St. Louis, Mo.
John R. Parson, Recorder, 510 Pine St., St. Louis, Mo.

Representatives:

Henry F. Niedringhaus, Jr., 5651 Bartimer Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
Clarence A. Sinclair, 1108 St. Charles St., St. Louis, Mo.
George T. Matthews, 20 S. Main St., St. Louis, Mo.
G. H. Bahrenburg, 3911 W. Belle Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

84 **MOROCCO TEMPLE** — **Jacksonville, Fla.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Thursday after 2d Tuesday each month.
Founded, March 28, 1888.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 730
T. G. Hutchinson, Potentate, Jacksonville, Fla.
John B. Lucy, Recorder, Jacksonville, Fla.

Representatives:

Thomas G. Hutchinson, Jacksonville, Fla.
P. C. Perry, M. D., Jacksonville, Fla.
G. E. McGriff, Tallahassee, Fla.
Harry B. Roberts, Tampa, Fla.

85 **MOSLEM TEMPLE** — **Detroit, Mich.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Tuesday each month.
Founded, April 21, 1880.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 2,983
W. M. Perrett, Potentate, 842 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich.
Arba M. Seymour, Recorder, Masonic Temple, Detroit, Mich.

Representatives:

W. M. Perrett, 842 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich.
William Van Sickle, 1111 Majestic Bldg., Detroit, Mich.
George W. Fowle, 55 Joy St., Detroit, Mich.
Heman D. Rogers, 17 State St., Detroit, Mich.

86 **MOUNT SINAI TEMPLE** — **Montpelier, Vt.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Friday in March, June and December.
Founded, October 31, 1876.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,175
Isaac D. Bailey, Potentate, Brattleboro, Vt.
Charles H. Heaton, Recorder, Montpelier, Vt.

Representatives:

Lester H. Greene, Montpelier, Vt.
Heber C. Cady, Northfield, Vt.
Fred W. Putnam, Brattleboro, Vt.
Glen A. Wilkins, Morrisville, Vt.

87 **MURAT TEMPLE** — **Indianapolis, Ind.**

Date of Regular Session, 3d Monday each month.
Founded, March 13, 1884.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 2,729
Elias J. Jacoby, Potentate, Indianapolis, Ind.
Leslie D. Clancy, Recorder, P. O. Box 312, Indianapolis, Ind.

Representatives:

Elias J. Jacoby, I. O. O. F. Bldg., Indianapolis, Ind.
Charles Mayer, 29 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, Ind.
Henry W. Klausmann, City Hall, Indianapolis, Ind.
C. Martin Keller, Columbus, Ind.

88 **NAJA TEMPLE** — **Deadwood, S. Dak.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Saturday in March, June and September.
Founded, September 19, 1892.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 325
Hubert W. Bartlett, Potentate, Edgemont, S. Dak.
J. A. Poznansky, Recorder, Deadwood, S. Dak.

Representatives:

Albe Holmes, Deadwood, S. Dak.
W. J. McMakin, Terraville, S. Dak.

89 **NILE TEMPLE** — **Seattle, Wash.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Wednesday each month.
Dispensation granted July 15, 1908.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 813
Robert C. Hasson, Potentate, 420 Lowman Bldg., Seattle, Wash.
E. C. Beede, Recorder, 519 Bailey Bldg., Seattle, Wash.

Representatives:

Ralph S. Stacy, National Bank Commerce, Seattle, Wash.
John R. Thompson, 609 Waldorf Apartments, Seattle, Wash.
Daniel B. Trefethen, 614 Colman Bldg., Seattle, Wash.
Henry G. Stoelting, 710 2d Ave., Seattle, Wash.

90 **OASIS TEMPLE** — **Charlotte, N. C.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, October 10, 1894.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 922
H. A. Morrill, Potentate, Charlotte, N. C.
T. S. Franklin, Recorder, Charlotte, N. C.

Representatives:

Walter S. Liddell, Charlotte, N. C.
R. S. Reinhardt, Lincolnton, N. C.
J. B. Griggs, Elizabeth City, N. C.
T. C. Linn, Salisbury, N. C.

91 **OLEIKA TEMPLE** — **Lexington, Ky.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Thursday.
Founded, January 1, 1908.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 309
G. Allison Holland, Potentate, 509 Trust Co. Bldg., Lexington, Ky.
William M. Yent, Recorder, P. O. Box 75, Lexington, Ky.

Representatives:

John G. Cramer, Phœnix Hotel, Lexington, Ky.
William J. Cardwell, 301 Trust Co. Bldg., Lexington, Ky.

92 **OMAR TEMPLE** — **Charleston, S. C.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, December 27, 1906.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 950
George T. Bryan, Potentate, Greenville, S. C.
J. M. Diven, Recorder, 14 George St., Charleston, S. C.

Representatives:

Jacob T. Barron, Columbia, S. C.
George T. Bryan, Greenville, S. C.
James R. Johnson, Charleston, S. C.
Henry O. Strohecker, Charleston, S. C.

93 **ORAK TEMPLE, U. D.** — **Hammond, Ind.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Monday each month.
Founded, April 27, 1909.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 168
Harry S. Sharrer, Potentate, Hammond, Ind.
John W. Morthland, Recorder, 506 Hammond Bldg., Hammond, Ind.
Not entitled to Representatives.

94 **ORIENTAL TEMPLE** — **Troy, N. Y.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, February 7, 1877.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,529
Marshall F. Hemingway, Potentate, "Troy Budget," Troy, N. Y.
William V. N. Stowell, Recorder, Ilium Bldg., Troy, N. Y.

Representatives:

Marshall F. Hemingway, "Troy Budget," Troy, N. Y.
Jay Gilbert, Waterford, N. Y.
James H. Bostock, 30 Mynderse St., Schenectady, N. Y.
Allison E. Curtis, Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

95 **OSIRIS TEMPLE** — **Wheeling, W. Va.**

Date of Regular Session, 4th Friday each month.
Founded, July 22, 1886.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,663
O. W. Burdatts, Potentate, 16th St., Wheeling, W. Va.
George E. Waterhouse, Recorder, P. O. Box 378, Wheeling, W. Va.

Representatives:

William W. Irwin, 24th and Chapline Sts., Wheeling, W. Va.
Alfred Mark, 130 S. York St., Wheeling, W. Va.
O. W. Burdatts, 16th St., Wheeling, W. Va.
Robert C. Darrah, Care of Block Bros. Tube Co., Wheeling, W. Va.

96 **OSMAN TEMPLE** — **St. Paul, Minn.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Wednesday each month.
Founded, July 13, 1885.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,259
Henry M. Tusler, Potentate, 109 E. 9th St., St. Paul, Minn.
John Fishel, Recorder, Masonic Temple, St. Paul, Minn.

Representatives:

Fred J. Banister, Metropolitan Opera House Block, St. Paul, Minn.
Henry M. Tusler, 109 E. 9th St., St. Paul, Minn.
George F. Dix, Court House, St. Paul, Minn.
George C. Knispel, 353 Jackson St., St. Paul, Minn.

97 **PALESTINE TEMPLE** — **Providence, R. I.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, February 6, 1886.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,628
James A. Rogers, Potentate, Box 96, Providence, R. I.
William E. Husband, Recorder, 71 Tanner St., Providence, R. I.

Representatives:

James A. Rogers, P. O. Box 96, Providence, R. I.
Benjamin P. Moulton, Box 1282, Providence, R. I.
Frederick I. Dana, 171 Westminster St., Providence, R. I.
Aldridge G. Pearce, 85 Sprague St., Providence, R. I.

98 **PYRAMID TEMPLE** — **Bridgeport, Conn.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Wednesday each month, except July, August and September.
Founded, April 18, 1877.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,443
John J. Fisher, Potentate, 167 State St., Bridgeport, Conn.
E. Stewart Sumner, Recorder, 129 Wall St., Bridgeport, Conn.

Representatives:

John J. Fisher, 167 State St., Bridgeport, Conn.
James W. Porter, Danbury, Conn.
Carlton E. Hoadley, Box 357, New Haven, Conn.
Frederick L. Gaylord, Ansonia, Conn.

99 **RAJAH TEMPLE** — **Reading, Pa.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, August 20, 1892.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,606
Alfred L. Reichenbach, Potentate, City Treasurer, Allentown, Pa.
James B. Marsh, Recorder, Reading, Pa.

Representatives:

A. L. Reichenbach, Allentown, Pa.
J. K. Raudenbush, Lebanon, Pa.
William G. Gregory, Shenandoah, Pa.
E. A. Reeser, Reading, Pa.

100 **RAMESES TEMPLE** — **Toronto, Can.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, April 21, 1887.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,407
William P. Ryrie, Potentate,
28 Wellington St., W. Toronto, Ont.
A. Macoomb, Recorder, 44 Richmond St., W. Toronto, Ont.

Representatives:

William P. Ryrie, 28 Wellington St., W. Toronto, Ont.
James Glanville, 25 Wellington St., E. Toronto, Ont.
John H. Dunlop, 644 Lansdowne Ave., Toronto, Ont.
J. Webber Payne, 531 Euclid Ave., Toronto, Ont.

101 **RIZPAH TEMPLE** — **Madisonville, Ky.**

Date of Regular Session, Thursday after 1st Monday each month.
Dispensation granted July 15, 1908.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 161
James R. Rash, Potentate, Earlington, Ky.
Charles O. Osburn, Recorder, Madisonville, Ky.

Representative:

James R. Rash, Earlington, Ky.

102 **SAHARA TEMPLE** — **Pine Bluff, Ark.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Thursday each month.
Founded, April 16, 1889.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 540
T. J. Collier, Potentate, Altheimer, Ark.
Joseph H. Watkins, Recorder, Pine Bluff, Ark.

Representatives:

Thomas J. Collier, Altheimer, Ark.
Charles H. Puddephatt, Pine Bluff, Ark.
Edgar Brewster, Pine Bluff, Ark.

103 **SALADIN TEMPLE** — **Grand Rapids, Mich.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, April 22, 1886.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,652
L. A. Cornelius, Potentate, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Charles E. Fink, Recorder, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Representatives:

L. A. Cornelius, Grand Rapids, Mich.
D. C. Scribner, Grand Rapids, Mich.
H. L. Foster, Reed City, Mich.
William H. Mann, Muskegon, Mich.
Lou B. Winsor *(ad vitam)* Reed City, Mich.

104 **SALAAM TEMPLE** — **Newark, N. J.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, May 4, 1903.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 2,017
Louis V. Aronson, Potentate, 15 Sidney Place, Newark, N.J.
George C. Ward, Recorder,
1003 Prudential Bldg., Newark, N. J.

Representatives:

Louis V. Aronson, 15 Sidney Place, Newark, N. J.
Alfred N. Dalrymple, 714 Prudential Bldg., Newark, N. J.
William H. Morgan, 6 E. Park St., Newark, N. J.
Frederick W. Mock, Jr., 27 Hill St., Newark, N. J.

105 **SESOSTRIS TEMPLE** — **Lincoln, Neb.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Saturday each month.
Founded, June 22, 1887.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 940
Charles C. Quiggle, Potentate, Lincoln, Neb.
J. A. Traphagen, Recorder,
1935 Washington St., Lincoln, Neb.

Representatives:

Charles C. Quiggle, Lincoln, Neb.
Robert W. McGinnis, Lincoln, Neb.
Victor Seymour, Lincoln, Neb.
George Willitts, Jr., McCook, Neb.

106 **SPHINX TEMPLE** — **Hartford, Conn.**

Date of Regular Session, 3d Wednesday each month, except July and August.
Founded, April 13, 1896.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,232
John T. Henderson, Potentate, Hartford, Conn.
Richard P. Martin, Recorder, Hartford, Conn.

Representatives:

John T. Henderson, Hartford, Conn.
Edward Mahl, Hartford, Conn.
William W. Frayer, Hartford, Conn.
Joseph E. Berry, Hartford, Conn.

107 **SYRIA TEMPLE** — **Pittsburg, Pa.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded May 27, 1877.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 3,471
Frank D. Hartman, Potentate,
421 Wood St., Pittsburg, Pa.
James Kerr, Recorder, P. O. Box 790, Pittsburg, Pa.

Representatives:

George W. McCandless,
48th St. and A. V. R. R., Pittsburg, Pa.
Theo. A. Motheral, 404 Arratt Bldg., Pittsburg, Pa.
Charles E. Dinkey, Braddock, Pa.
George W. Gosser, Post Office, Pittsburg, Pa.
William S. Brown *(emeritus)* 523 Wood St., Pittsburg, Pa.
Theo. W. Siemon *(emeritus)* Pittsburg, Pa.

108 **SYRIAN TEMPLE** — **Cincinnati, Ohio**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, February 8, 1877.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 2,066
H. L. Korb, Potentate, 8th and Main Sts., Cincinnati, Ohio
John H. Dunholter, Recorder,
55 Walnut St., Cincinnati, Ohio

Representatives:

C. C. Agin, 1135 Dayton St., Cincinnati, Ohio
Joel C. Clore, Bell Block, Cincinnati, Ohio
Edward S. Keefer, Provident Bank Bldg., Cincinnati, Ohio
R. E. Lee, Traction Bldg., Cincinnati, Ohio
William B. Melish *(ad vitam)*
612 W. 6th St., Cincinnati, Ohio

109 **TANGIER TEMPLE** — **Omaha, Neb.**

Date of Regular Session, 4th Friday each month.
Founded, April 24, 1889.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,263
E. G. McGilton, Potentate,
102 N. 38th Ave., Omaha, Neb.
W. T. Bourke, Recorder, P. O. Box 523, Omaha, Neb.

Representatives:

E. G. McGilton, 102 N. 38th Ave., Omaha, Neb.
B. F. Thomas, Postmaster, Omaha, Neb.
George H. Brewer, 412 N. 25th St., S. Omaha, Neb.
Allen D. Falconer, 1324 Farnam St., Omaha, Neb.
Henry C. Akin *(ad vitam)*
Postmaster's Office, Omaha, Neb.

110 **TEBALA TEMPLE** — **Rockford, Ill.**

Date of Regular Session, 4th Wednesday each month.
Founded, May 10, 1894.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 796
Chalmers J. Seymour, Potentate,
501 Rockton Ave., Rockford, Ill.
Harry E. Keck, Recorder, Nelson Hotel, Rockford, Ill.

Representatives:

Chalmers J. Seymour, 501 Rockton Ave., Rockford, Ill.
Edward D. Allington, Freeport, Ill.
Albert R. Davis, 411 Jefferson St., Rockford, Ill.
Thomas D. Reber, E. State St., Rockford, Ill.

111 **TRIPOLI TEMPLE** — **Milwaukee, Wis.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Wednesday each month.
Founded, March 9, 1885.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,589
Thompson H. Adams, Potentate, 275 14th St., Milwaukee, Wis.
La Fayette F. Aldrich, Recorder, 303 Masonic Bldg., Milwaukee, Wis.

Representatives:

Thompson H. Adams, 275 14th St., Milwaukee, Wis.
Wm. G. Thwaits, 405 Iron Block, Milwaukee, Wis.
Max W. Heck, Court House, Racine, Wis.
Thomas J. Pringle, 94 20th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

112 **YAARAB TEMPLE** — **Atlanta, Ga.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, December 8, 1889.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,192
Forrest Adair, Potentate, Century Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.
George E. Argard, Recorder, Masons' Annuity, Atlanta, Ga.

Representatives:

Forrest Adair, Century Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.
Charles H. Whittington, Atlanta, Ga.
B. Frank Hardeman, Athens, Ga.
Duward B. Bullard, Palmetto, Ga.

113 **YELDUZ TEMPLE** — **Aberdeen, S. Dak.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Thursday each month.
Founded, July 14, 1904.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 401
Augustus C. Witte, Potentate, Aberdeen, S. Dak.
Walter G. Jacobs, Recorder, Aberdeen, S. Dak.

Representatives:

Walter G. Jacobs, Aberdeen, S. Dak.
N. Howard Wendell, Aberdeen, S. Dak.
Charles N. Harris, Aberdeen, S. Dak.

114 **ZA-GA-ZIG TEMPLE** — **Des Moines, Iowa**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, May 23, 1900.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,552
John C. Petty, Potentate, Des Moines, Iowa
Alfred B. Chadwick, Recorder, Des Moines, Iowa

Representatives:

Frank O. Evans, Des Moines, Iowa
John C. Petty, Des Moines, Iowa
A. M. Hough, Des Moines, Iowa
George W. Kemp, Des Moines, Iowa

115 **ZAMORA TEMPLE** — **Birmingham, Ala.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Wednesday in March, June, and September.
Founded, November 10, 1890.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 801
Charles A. Moffett, Potentate, Brown Marx Bldg., Birmingham, Ala.
Charles J. Geohegan, Recorder, 1923 Powell Ave., Birmingham, Ala.

Representatives:

David J. Fox, Birmingham, Ala.
Charles A. Moffett, Brown Marx Bldg., Birmingham, Ala.
M. T. Stradford, 408 N. 19th St., Birmingham, Ala.
J. B. Lyons, Opelika, Ala.

116 **ZEMBO TEMPLE** — **Harrisburg, Pa.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Wednesday in March, June, September and December.
Founded, July 14, 1904.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,069
Owen M. Copelin, Potentate, City Treasurer, Harrisburg, Pa.
Fred J. Smith, Recorder, P. O. Box 440, Harrisburg, Pa.

Representatives:

Frederick J. Smith, Box 440, Harrisburg, Pa.
Robert S. Conklin, Harrisburg, Pa.
James B. Fry, 275 Briggs St., Harrisburg, Pa.
Edward S. Manning, Newville, Pa.

117 **ZEM ZEM TEMPLE** — **Erie, Pa.**

Date of Regular Session, on call of Potentate.
Founded, November 10, 1890.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 1,153
Frederick W. Ensworth, Potentate, Waterford, Pa.
Peter Barkey, Recorder, 130 W. 9th St., Erie, Pa.

Representatives:

Charles J. Haller, 15th and Pease Sts., Erie, Pa.
C. C. Follitt, 927 W. 9th St., Erie, Pa.
James S. Miller, Ridgeway, Pa.
C. W. Coulter, Oil City, Pa.

118 **ZENOBIA TEMPLE** — **Toledo, Ohio**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Thursday each month.
Founded, June 14, 1898.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 564
Hudson Fitch, Potentate, Toledo, Ohio
W. R. Sinclair, Recorder, Toledo, Ohio

Representatives:

Barton Smith, Toledo, Ohio
Fred L. Geddes, Toledo, Ohio
G. A. Haag, Toledo, Ohio

119 **ZIYARA TEMPLE** — **Utica, N. Y.**

Date of Regular Session, 1st Wednesday or last Friday each month.
Founded, October 30, 1877.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 970
John W. Boyle, Potentate, 30 Arcade, Utica, N. Y.
D. M. Johnson, Recorder, Baggs Hotel, Utica, N. Y.

Representatives:

Charles G. Nash, Norwich, N. Y.
Frank C. Shippy, 218 Court St., Utica, N. Y.
Franklin J. Kaufmann, 311 W. Genesee St., Syracuse, N. Y.
Frank T. Bremer, 86 Seneca St., Utica, N. Y.
John W. Boyle *(emeritus)* 30 Arcade, Utica, N. Y.

120 **ZORAH TEMPLE, U. D.** — **Terre Haute, Ind.**

Date of Regular Session, 2d Friday.
Founded, June 9, 1909.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 169
Frederick C. Goldsmith, Potentate, Terre Haute, Ind.
J. O. Shultz, Recorder, 21 N. 6th St., Terre Haute, Ind.
Not entitled to Representatives.

121 **ZUHRAH TEMPLE** — **Minneapolis, Minn.**

Date of Regular Session, 4th Friday each month.
Founded, July 22, 1885.
Membership, January 1, 1910, 2,010
Frank J. Meyst, Potentate, 805 Lumber Exchange, Minneapolis, Minn.
Frank H. Forbes, Recorder, 112 Temple Court, Minneapolis, Minn.

Representatives:

Charles E. Ovenshire, 626 Bryant Ave., N., Minneapolis, Minn.
Frank C. Berry, Chester Terrace, Duluth, Minn.
Frank J. Meyst, 805 Lumber Exchange, Minneapolis, Minn.
Clarence M. Rawitzer, 307 Washington Ave., N., Minneapolis, Minn.

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